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President's Corner: *From SPU theatre to reflections on theology*

Karen and I thoroughly enjoyed new SPU emeritus professor George Scranton's spring play "As It Is in Heaven." Congratulations and welcome, George! The play and its title (and perhaps my age!) led me to continue my reflections on the theme and meaning of Heaven.

Kenneth E. Bailey's recent book *Jesus Through Middle Eastern Eyes* (2008, InterVarsity Press) stresses the paradox that the kingdom of God has both already come in the person of Jesus Christ, yet at the same time the kingdom of God is still in the future. It is near and yet far off. This is helpful when meditating on current books and sermons from our many churches (Protestant, Catholic, Orthodox). Some books and sermons emphasize that our Christian mission is to bring Heaven to earth to make all things new, now, while others emphasize that Heaven will be later with all new things, then. My sense is that these two seemingly opposite emphases about Heaven are not an "either-or" choice, but paradoxically, "both-and." Similarly, "good news for the poor" is both food for the hungry, freedom for the captives and sight for the blind, and God breaking in to history in Jesus Christ to save us from our sins.

Keeping both points of view, all things new, now and all new things, then, fulfills both sides of our heavenly mandate. We are to preach the Gospel of salvation (accepting Jesus as son of God, affirming our need to be united with Christ). Accepting Jesus as the son of God is a matter of first importance for entering the Kingdom of God, for all eternity. But this future Glory should not take away from our mandate to bring the Heavenly mind-set and principles of Jesus down to earth, thereby bringing Heaven to earth daily by our actions in the here and now. Trust and Obey (emphasis mine), for there's no other way ... says the well-known hymn. Bringing Heaven to earth gives us a purpose and direction for our lives. It gives us wonderful reasons to get up each morning to face with great enthusiasm the duties and wonders of each new day.

God's choicest blessings on your summer!

Mike Macdonald, Emeriti Faculty President

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"to edify, encourage, and connect emeriti faculty; to

profile emeriti achievements (past and present); to provide news and information about members and SPU; to encourage emeriti to continue to be involved in world change." The Emeri-Times newsletter is

distributed by the Office of the Provost.

Please let Mike know (mmacdona@spu.edu or 425 881 3486) if you have recommendations.



- 100 year anniversary of SPU's name change page 9 "Did you know?" column
- See war memorial follow-up on page 5 with Wes Lingren.

Provost Jeff Van Duzer hosts Spring Tea for Emeriti

On March 24, 2015, forty-five emeriti met with Provost Jeff Van Duzer in the Upper Gwinn Queen Anne Room. This was a wonderful opportunity to hear from Dr. Van Duzer about Academic Affairs updates and to network with emeriti colleagues. And, we can see our beautiful campus in early spring. New emeriti, consider joining us at the next occasion. And, thank you, Jeff.



Emeriti Web Page

Remember this useful tool for and about emeriti faculty. We have a webpage linked to the Provost page. Here is the direct link: <http://spu.edu/university-leadership/provost/news/Emeriti-Faculty>. It can also be accessed by navigating through www.spu.edu/provost, then clicking on Provost Gateway, and the Emeriti Faculty “button” toward the bottom of the page.

We can add sections as needed by way of Stacey O’Farrell in the Provost’s office:

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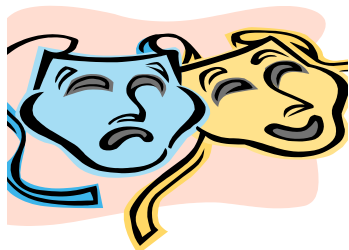
We would love your feedback.

Evette Hackman, Editor, *Emeri-Times Newsletter*



Marilyn Severson, Emerita Professor of European Studies-French: As the coordinator of the emeriti Praise, Prayers, and Concerns, I invite you to send contributions by email to me at mseverso@spu.edu. This way of keeping us connected works best with your help. I will share only what you would like shared; I look forward to hearing from you.

*Coordinator for prayers/ cares/ concerns:
Marilyn Severson*



Theater Department—Fall Plays

Check your mailbox for announcements of Fall plays. In past years Emeriti Faculty were given two free matinee tickets for these excellent events. Thank you Theater Department!!!



Thank you to Karen Macdonald for sending these funny anecdotes for the newsletter. Follow these “believe-it-or-not” notes taken from actual hospital medical records:

“The patient is tearful and crying constantly. She also appears depressed.”

Emeriti Updates June 2015:

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Laura Arksey, spouse of **Leon Arksey** Professor of English who retired in 1992. My late husband, Leon Arksey, was emeritus faculty from the English Department, and I worked for years in the library. When Leon retired in 1992, we moved to Spokane and I continued working. I was librarian/archivist at the Northwest Museum of Arts and Culture for four years and then continued volunteering there after retiring. Leon and I enjoyed some wonderful U.S. and international travels during those years, including several trips with Fan and Jack Gates. Leon passed away in 2011. A year ago I moved from Spokane to Salem, Oregon, to downsize and be near our oldest daughter and family. I am thoroughly enjoying the Willamette Valley - climate, countryside, and proximity to ocean and mountains. I am keeping busy with volunteer work in the archives of the Oregon Conference of the Methodist Church, as well as renovating an old house and taking care of yard and garden. Although technically I am not emeritus faculty in my own right, I very much appreciate receiving the Emeri-Times Newsletter.

Dorothy (Do) Balch, spouse of the late Wayne Balch, Professor of Music who retired in 1985. I am very happily settled in a lovely first floor double apartment in Northbrook, Illinois, suburb of Chicago. This is a very lovely Covenant Church-sponsored retirement village. I have met many former Chicago/North Park University friends, renewed "old" friendships, and made many new friends. I do miss Seattle, SPU, FFMC and other friends very much, but life "goes on". God still leads and I am so grateful to be led by God. Anyone from SPU, etc., is most welcome to stop and visit—easy access from O'Hare Airport. Greetings to all Emeriti friends.

Michael Caldwell (Vicki) Professor of Art, retired in 2006. I paint every day. I show my paintings at the Winthrop Gallery in Winthrop, WA. During the school year I mentor at our elementary school. During the summer I volunteer as a host at the Shafer Historical Museum in Winthrop. I continue to teach painting and drawing on an individual basis. We own a motor home and love to travel, particularly in the Southwest and Montana.

Ruby Englund (David) School of Health Sciences Professor of Nursing, retired in 2007. Since retiring I have returned to reading wonderful books. I just finished reading *McCullough's Truman* as well as the *Passage Between the Seas*, about the building of the Panama Canal. Several years ago I read his book about John Adams. I find McCullough's books full of captivating historical information.

We are looking forward to our son's wedding this summer. The bride and groom have asked my sister's husband, his Uncle Ron, a Lutheran pastor to perform the ceremony that will be held at a ranch in Eastern Washington.

My husband, Dave, is gaining strength at Providence Mount St. Vincent after spending nine days at Virginia Mason Hospital with an infection. He has received excellent care at both facilities and it is encouraging to see dedicated staff members committed to their patients.



Hospital record bloopers: "She is numb from her toes down"
"On the second day the knee was better and on the third day it disappeared."

Gary Fick (Carol) Professor of Natural Sciences, Sciences and Psychology Librarian, retired in 2013. Carol and I sold our house on Queen Anne hill in March and moved across the country near our daughter and her family (three granddaughters) in Eastern Pennsylvania. We bought a plot of land on a hill overlooking the city of Lancaster in the distance, and we are working with both architect and builder to plan a new house on the property. I guess we will always be Seattleites in some way or another; it's hard to kick the habit after 41 ½ years.

Sharon Hartnett Assistant Professor of Education, School of Education, retired in 2012. Recently I moved to a brand new apartment. Very spacious! I also worked for Hallmark for one year—loved that! I am enjoying retirement via being outdoors for long walks with my puppy, Scout, and great friends. We recently visited First Lutheran Church in Shoreline for the Sunday school hour. Amazing teacher! We mostly attend Bellevue Presbyterian Church where they have a commitment to single adults. Blessings to all.

Doris Heritage (Ralph) Physical Education and Athletics. Here is my most memorable happening of the past year that comes to mind; Ralph and I returned from a Bike/Barge excursion out of Amsterdam with Coach Ken Foreman, wife Denise and friends. Ken was on the Barge and some of us were on bikes, my first such adventure on wheels, not feet. Our trip coordinator was author and Holocaust survivor Hannie J. Voyles, who guided us with her friend Marie Hart (SPU Alum), to some special places around Amsterdam and helped us to appreciate significant Dutch Emancipation Day observances. We biked the Gouda - Delft - Leiden - Haarlem and back to Amsterdam loop with some intermediate stops, like the beautiful Keukenhof Gardens with more flowers than the Skagit Valley - more than tulips and daffodils!

My meaningful readings have included books concerning the Holocaust... in Germany, Poland, Holland, and The Channel Islands. A novel, *THE GUERNSEY LITERARY AND POTATO PEEL PIE SOCIETY*, was particularly striking. There seems no limit to the capacity of humanity for evil and good. By God's grace can we somehow learn from the past and share His love.

Karl Krienke, (Reita), Professor of Physics and Mathematics and Dean of Natural and Mathematical Sciences, retired in 1997. Reita and I are still living at home north of Ballard. For health, she walks some miles each morning, I still swim a mile a day, sometimes limited by minor injuries. I am still active in my research using frames from the Hubble Space Telescope; and can hardly believe we are so fortunate as to have access to this quality of data. In an earlier decade we travelled thirteen times with Grand Circle mostly cruises. This took us from the Black Sea in the east to Aires Rock in Western Australia. We are both in the eighties and would find such travel too strenuous now.

As is normal with being this old, we often see medical doctors, for vision mostly. Having had a cancer threat now completely cured, we enjoy the tremendous emotion of being threat-free. Lots of prayers have given us truly tremendous thanks and confidence in God's power, in His answers to our prayers and in His daily presence in our lives. We still attend First Free Methodist Church, and I often participate by aiding in serving communion. Hi to all the Emeriti.

Gene Lemcio, (Diane) Professor of New Testament, School of Theology, retired 2010. Gene has edited *A Man of Many Parts: Essays in Honor of John Westerdale Bowker on his Eightieth Birthday*, Wipf and Stock, 2015. Rowan Williams, former Archbishop of Canterbury, wrote the Introduction. Gene's contribution is entitled, "Daniel & the Three (Principally in the Old Greek): 'Historical' Signs of the Eschatological Son of Man and Saints of the Most High: a Paradigm for Gospels Christology and Discipleship." Here is what Professor of Philosophy of Religion at Asbury Theological Seminary in Wilmore, Kentucky Michael L. Peterson has to say about this work:

A Man of Many Parts is a splendid tribute to John Bowker, offering an impressive collection of scholarly essays in his areas of interest—from biblical studies and theology to issues pertaining to science and theology and interreligious dialogue. The penetrating and insightful nature of Bowker's thought is wonderfully emulated in the chapters of Lemcio's important book.

Wes Lingren (Merrilyn) Professor of Chemistry, Director of University Scholars. Here's a follow-up on the War Memorial: WAR MEMORIAL PART 2 The War Memorial project was completed this past winter with the installation of a marble plaque, with all the names of the known SPC/U war dead and an appropriate scripture verse inscribed on it, in the second floor hallway of Alexander Hall. A formal dedication took place in conjunction with the Memorial Day all-campus service, May 26. Special invitations to attend were sent to known relatives and friends of the men who gave their lives in service of our country. Next time you are on campus take five minutes and go see it.

Tim Malm (JoAnne) Associate Professor of Art, retired in 1997. Having read the Bible several times through, I wanted a means of slowing down to gain more of its meaning, so I started copying it. I last finished Joshua. I recently finished reading *Mister Onita's Guide to Gardening* by Carol Wall. It is more about nourishing the natural world than gardening, though just less than 285 pages. I read it within a week's time. I just learned from the American Heart Association that I will be joining their speakers bureau to **expand on my stroke story**.

Vicki McClurg (Jim) School of Health Sciences Professor of Nursing, retired in 1998. I'm continuing to work per diem as a triage nurse at Sand Point Pediatric Clinic which is part of the Virginia Mason University Village Clinic. I usually work about 1-3 days a week when we're in town. My husband, Jim, is still working as the Executive Director at Bethany Community Church where his biggest project currently is trying to get the city of Seattle to approve the permits to start demolition of our old CE building so they can start rebuilding it on the same footprint. I also still work as a Mentor Mom for MOPS at our Bethany North location and I babysit our youngest granddaughter every Wednesday. We just returned from a very restful week at Sun River in Oregon and will be returning there again for a week with our youngest son, Cameron and his family in July. No other plans for travel currently, but are doing a lot of hoping and thinking about a good trip when Jim retires next year.

David McKenna (Janet) President Emeritus, Seattle Pacific University, 1968-1992. Jan and I got a personal invitation to attend the 50th reunion of the first graduating class of Spring Arbor College (now University). We wouldn't have to do anything; they just wanted our "presence." We had to send regrets because of the travel involved but sent a video of congratulations. A couple of days later we got an invitation to be flown back to Asbury Theological Seminary to be present at the 20th anniversary of the founding of Wesley Village, a senior retirement center. Again, we had to send regrets along with a three-minute video giving greetings.

You know that you are getting old when you are part of history and invited to anniversary events just to be present. It's like a corpse at an Irish wake—you don't expect it to do much, but you can't have the party without it. Proves that we must never lose our sense of humor.

Marilyn Severson Professor of European Studies-French, retired in 2004. Coordinator of the project "Praise, Prayers and Concerns" for emeriti. On a personal level, I'm blessed with interesting activities and quite good health, good friends and family, a comfortable house, a companionable cat—and I could go on and on. Our newsletter editor asked if I had read any good books lately, and I would recommend *All the Light We Cannot See* by Anthony Doerr. The book includes stories of a young, blind French girl and a German orphan whose talent in repairing radios leads to participation in the German army during World War II. Their lives intertwine in St. Malo, France in 1944. One critic states, "Anthony Doerr writes beautifully about the mythic and the intimate, about snails on beaches and armies on the move, about fate and love and history and those breathless, unbearable moments when they all come crashing together." (Jess Walter) The small and intergenerational book group in which I participate found both our reading and our discussion engrossing.



Medical record bloopers: "The patient has no previous record of suicide."

Martha Worcester (John) School of Health Sciences Professor of Nursing, retired in 2007. Greetings! In November of 2014, I left the Nursing Commission after 4 years of challenging and interesting work. I continue to meet the requirements to keep my nurse practitioner license. Not quite ready to let it go. Geriatrics continues to be my specialty. Now I am richly blessed to be one of the aged!

My life is in a year of transition with taking writing class, participating in Toastmasters and offering workshops in the church and community. We stay connected with our 4 children and 8 grandchildren through texting and their frequent posts on Face book.

Taking time to read enriches my life. For theology written plain and simple I recommend anything written by Rob Bell. If you like mysteries, I recommend Craig Johnson. His characters relay amazing sensitivity for all cultures and ages as they weave fascinating tales. His main characters are consistent in his Longmire series with Sheriff Walt and Henry Standing Bear as main characters.

Even though we are retired, my husband and I find our mental faculties remain intact. Humor being an asset we both share, keeps us sane and our marriage lots of fun. Pickles in the comics often tickles our funny bones.

Wishing all of you blessings, strength, and moments of laughter on your journey.

Evette Hackman (Robert) Family and Consumer Sciences, Food and Nutritional Sciences, 2004. Bob and I are looking forward to hiking in Europe this fall. We will start with an opera in Vienna before our first hike in northern Austria and then train ride to hikes in the Dolomites in Italy and the Assisi pilgrimage. We will then enjoy the coast (Cinque Terre) and Rome before heading home. We found round trip flights from Vancouver at half the price of similar flights from Seattle. It was a wonderful fluke in airline oddities.

Hannah Notess, managing editor of *Response Magazine*, invites emeriti to submit news to be published in the magazine.

Editors of *Response* would like to include emeriti in the 'Footnotes' section of the magazine. Emeriti who wish to can submit stories/news to the editors at response@spu.edu - and former students can read about them. Or mail to the address below:

Hannah Notess, Managing Editor, *Response* magazine

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Hospital record bloopers:

“Patient’s medical history has been relatively insignificant except for a 40 pound weight gain in the past three days.”

“The patient has left white blood cells at another hospital”

“Healthy appearing decrepit 69 year-old male, mentally alert but forgetful”

Welcome to our Four New Emeriti Professors. Those who attended the faculty retirement dinner on May 7, 2015, had the opportunity to hear the full store of these illustrious faculty. We look forward to inviting them to our emeriti events.

Herbert E. Kierulff, PhD. Herb the Donald Snellman Professor of Entrepreneurship and Finance at SPU. He graduated with a bachelor's degree in economics from Stanford University, earned a master's degree in business administration and a doctorate in business economics from University of Southern California.

George A. Scranton, PhD. Professor of Theater. George has been connected with SPU for fifty years. He holds degrees in speech and religion, biblical literature, theater history and criticism, and theology and literature. At SPU he worked as director, designer, actor and playwright.

Thomas N. Trzyna, PhD. Professor of English. Tom attended University of California at San Diego and transferred to the University of California at Berkeley. He earned his PhD at the University of Washington. He is a student of comparative religion, French literature, and music.

Sharon L. Young, PhD. Professor of Mathematics Education. Sharon started out as an elementary school teacher and went on to become a math specialist. She earned her master's degree in curriculum at the University of Denver and her doctorate in mathematics education at the University of Colorado, Boulder. One of Sharon's loves is children's literature and she has written 100 emergent reader children's books with mathematical themes.

These two professors also retired in 2015:

E. Lawrence Gulberg, PhD. Larry was Assistant Professor of Chemistry at SPU for twelve years. He received a bachelor's degree in chemistry from Stanford in 1971, his teaching credential from SPU in 1972, taught in the Northshore School District until his first retirement, earned a master's degree in education and a doctorate in analytical chemistry from the University of Washington.

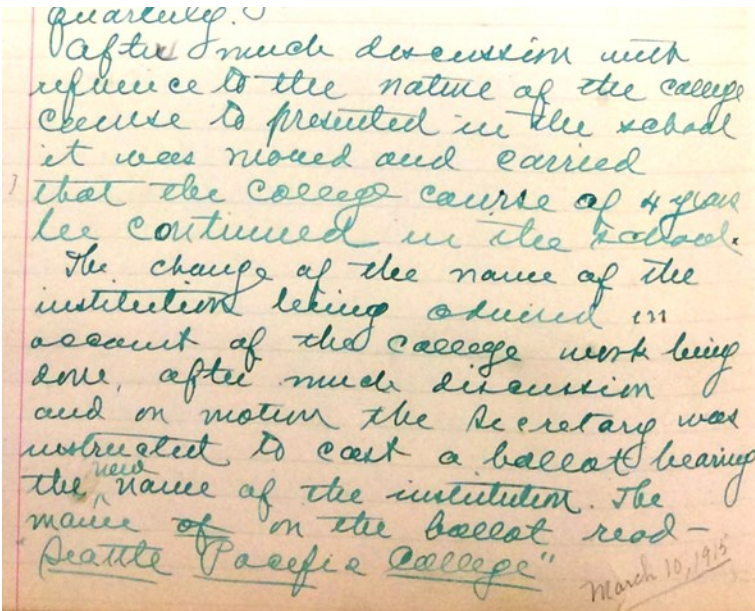
Thomas W. Wall, PhD. Associate Professor of Clinical Psychology. Tom came to SPU to teach as an adjunct instructor in clinical psychology in 2002 and in 2006 he was hired as Associate Professor. He is a licensed psychologist and independent practitioner. He earned his bachelor's degree in psychology, master's degree in education and rehabilitation counseling and his PhD in Counseling Psychology at the University of Washington.



Did You Know? by Adrienne Meier

This year, in 2015, SPU celebrates one hundred years since changing its name from “Seattle Seminary” to “Seattle Pacific College” – later in 1977 to become “Seattle Pacific University”. The Board of Trustees of Seattle Seminary met on March 10, 1915. The minutes of that meeting record that they discussed the hiring and retaining of faculty; voted to retain Alexander Beers as president of the school and his wife Adelaide as preceptor (head teacher); heard a report on the finances of the school; and discussed the continuation of the College Course.

College level classes had been offered at Seattle Seminary beginning in 1910. In that year, a few freshman classes were added to the catalog, with a tentative goal of establishing a junior college program. Enrollment in the new program was strong enough for the Board to consider a full four-year program instead of a junior program, and they began to move in that direction. New classes were added each year to keep up with the original freshman class. The Free Methodist denomination, however, opposed the move toward a college program, and delayed the curriculum for a year. Despite this initial opposition from the denomination, the Board persisted and the first college class graduated in 1915.



quarrels.
After much discussion with reference to the nature of the college course so presented in the school it was moved and carried that the college course of 4 years be continued in the school. The change of the name of the institution being ordered on account of the college work being done, after much discussion and on motion the Secretary was instructed to cast a ballot bearing the ^{new} name of the institution. The name of on the ballot read - "Seattle Pacific College" March 10, 1915

On March 10, 1915, the Board of Trustees decided that the college program should be continued, and that a name change was needed to reflect the new reality of the institution. According to the minutes from that meeting, the new name decided on was “Seattle Pacific College.” The text of the minutes along with a transcription follows:

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The “Seattle” and “College” portions of the name are self-explanatory. However, the minutes are silent on the origin of “Pacific,” and the archival record gives no indication of where the full name came from. Tradition had it that C.S.

McKinley, president of the Board of Trustees in 1915, came up with the name, but no written record has been found to substantiate the claim.

Despite its uncertain origin, the name “Seattle Pacific” has now remained with the institution for 100 years.

Adrienne Meier is University Archivist, Seattle Pacific University



More hospital record bloopers:

“Discharge status: Alive but without my permission”

“The patient refused autopsy”

Editor’s note: Physicians writing hospital record notes could use the advice of our English Department emeriti, don’t you think?

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Autumn Quarter 2015, Academic events

Faculty Retreat at Casey Conference Center September 14-15, 2015

New Student Convocation, Royal Brougham Pavilion September 24, 2015*

Class Instruction Begins Monday September 28, 2015

Opening Chapel Tuesday September 29, 2015 11:10 am FFMC

Faculty In-service Day of Common Learning October 21, 2015 10-3 Royal Brougham and Upper Gwinn

Fall play in Theater Department—Look for announcement in the mail

President's Luncheon with Emeriti—TBD

Fall quarter ends December 9, 2015 and Christmas break begins December 10

*Academic regalia is worn.