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Last summer almost 50 of us gathered at Warm Beach to enjoy wonderful food and fellowship as well as Curt Martin's most delightful talk. We were all part of the SPU community with past roles that included Board of Trustees, administration, faculty, staff and spouses. I loved the mix!

In this fall's Emeriti Directory, we made a change that I strongly support: for the first time, we have included four distinguished members of the SPU community: past presidents, David McKenna, David Le Shana, Curtis Martin, and Philip Eaton. I have been long struck by the significance of the metaphor "Body of Christ" and the role it should play in the Christian life. Scripture emphasizes frequently that each of us has a specific and important role to play in the Kingdom of God. Some of us are more like heads and others more like hearts and hands. Moreover, Scripture affirms unity. It encourages us to avoid dissension and unnecessary divisions. When I taught years ago the SPU philosophy class "Values, Faith and Meaning" developed by Ray Wells, I was struck then by how much more I identified with the "Coherence Theory of Truth" than the "Correspondence Theory of Truth."

All of this is one reason why I love Seattle Pacific and affirm its unique and important role in Christian Higher Education. I ask you: is there any other university that is both orthodox and evangelical and yet tenures Protestants, Roman Catholics and Greek/Russian Orthodox if that faculty member affirms that there is one God and Jesus Christ is His only Son, and seeks to work out and obey what that means?

God's choicest blessings on your 2013! It is a great pleasure to serve as your president.

Mike Macdonald

Look inside for:

- Comments from David Dickerson
- Basketball event
- New segment: "Did you Know?"
- Ken Foreman tribute
- Paraprozdokians (humor)

Purpose for Emeri-Times

"to edify, encourage, 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 Academic Affairs.

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

President Martin

President Martin's first address to faculty as summarized by Mike Macdonald.



"Our best days are before us."

President Daniel J. Martin

President Daniel J. Martin chose to focus on aspects of the word "Belief" for his address at Faculty Retreat 2012. President Martin has strong beliefs and firm convictions that are listed below similar to the bullet style that he used at Retreat. They give us an excellent glimpse of the presuppositions that will be the foundation for his vision for Seattle Pacific University. His beliefs include:

- **The truth of the Historic Christian Faith:** He believes in a triune God, and the Hope of Salvation in Jesus Christ. He believes in the Holy Spirit. He affirms Love, Grace, Justice and Mercy. President Martin believes in openness and candor, the idea of vocation, being non-judgmental, seeing the best in others. He affirms the roles of head and heart, being Christ like, being loving.
- **SPU is a great institution with a bright future:** He's excited about Christian Higher Education and the value of the Liberal Arts. He is orthodox, evangelical, Wesleyan and ecumenical. He affirms our mission—engaging the culture and changing the world.

President Martin's style is to pursue the role of President, not merely preside. He affirms the need to raise money and is excited about this aspect of his work. He holds that our best days are before us. He expects us to be recognized as one of the nation's leading universities. He encourages us to dream big and is excited about future innovative delivery models and a renewed strategic vision firmly grounded in our mission.



Fall Luncheon with President and Mrs. Martin

On October 30, 2012, about 45 emeriti faculty enjoyed our first fall luncheon with President and Mrs. Martin in Upper Gwinn. The luncheon was preceded by chapel at which President Martin presented the homily. Afterwards, we were treated to a full Thanksgiving-type meal prepared by the wonderful SPU catering staff. One of the best features of this time is the opportunity to be together and not only catch up with our fellow retired colleagues, but also to learn about campus news. Also, most of us love walking onto our beloved campus and feeling the energy.

I am reminded that Past President Phil Eaton and his wife Sharon were grounded in New York City at this time praying and hoping for safe-keeping from hurricane Sandy. Their flight back to Seattle on October 28th had to be cancelled but they were able to return safely on November 1st. I am sure they have stories to tell.



David Dickerson reports on Warm Beach 2012

On August 7, about 45 emeriti gathered for this delightful lunch hosted by the Warm Beach Senior Community. President Daniel Martin joined us for the occasion—and Curtis Martin observed that one's name is an essential qualification for being president at SPU, where 20% of the presidents have been named Martin. :-) Curt inspired us with stories about his father, Mike Martin, founder of King's Garden, and about Dorr Demaray and David McKenna. The common element in these stories is captured by a comment Bill Lane was fond of making (which also applies to Curt): "When God wants to send us a gift, He often wraps it in a person." Curt also related a number of memorable (and sometimes awkward) experiences—like the time he ordered a hamburger and all the accompaniments at Dick's, discovered he had no money, could not prevent another customer from paying his bill—then had to drive away in his new Lexus. OR the time Sterling Jensen came dashing up to Demaray Hall with the news that in demolishing houses for a new parking lot east of the 3rd Ave. barber shop, he had gone "one house too far." (Ask other attendees about more anecdotes, all highly memorable).

Jeff Van Duzer Appointed Provost

President Martin announced on November 26 the appointment of Jeff Van Duzer to serve as Provost of Seattle Pacific University. Jeff has served as the Dean of the School of Business since 2001 while simultaneously holding an appointment as Professor of Business Law and Ethics. Prior to joining SPU, Jeff held the position of Partner-in-Charge for the Seattle office of Davis Wright Tremaine, one of the nation's leading business and litigation law firms. President Martin, who also has a legal background, states that after lengthy conversations with Jeff they complement each other rather than copy each other and he says they "are committed to being effective partners in serving the University."



One of Jeff's references says: "*Jeff pursues excellence; he's wise, articulate, open to new thoughts and ideas, and values diversity; he brings out the best in people; he's an intellectual with great organizational understanding; he's thoughtful about solutions and has a good balance of optimism and realism; he exhibits the right philosophy for leading and managing and demonstrates great analytical skills; he 'gets it' when it comes to the distinctive mission of Christian liberal arts; he is a principled decision-maker and bridge-builder.*"

Upon accepting his appointment, Jeff said: "*I am simultaneously humbled and extraordinarily excited by the opportunity to serve as Provost. I hope that I will be able to serve the faculty and staff of the SPU community in a way that will set them free to serve our students. Right now, I can think of no higher calling for my life.*" Jeff will assume the role of Provost full-time beginning February 1, 2013.

Winter Basketball Game

Thanks to Ruby Englund, we are invited to attend the SPU women's basketball game in Royal Brougham Pavilion with Western Washington University on February 16, 2013, at 5:15 pm. The Athletic Department will provide complimentary reserved seats for emeriti and one guest. At half-time, please gather in the lounge for cookies, beverage and discussion. Contact Ruby Englund



Welcome Past Presidents: You will notice that four past presidents are being included in our emeriti group. **The four are Philip W. Eaton, David Le Shana, Curtis Martin (also Professor of Education) and David McKenna.** It is a pleasure to be able to connect with these wonderful people.



Three paraprofessionals (see definition p. 6):

If I agreed with you, we'd both be wrong.

We never really grow up, we only learn how to act in public.

War does not determine who is right - only who is left.

HOW DID WE GET THE FALCON?

SPU Archivist Adrienne Meier provided us with this interesting information:

Did you know that the Falcon was chosen to be the Seattle Pacific mascot in 1934? Why the falcon? According to the 1934 *Cascade* yearbook: "The Falcon is worthy of our acceptance because it is an emblem of royalty, of nobility, of recreation, and of swiftness – all qualities to be obtained by the departments of the college...It is not a stranger in our vicinity, but is found oftentimes in our northwest country. [Further,] because the qualities that are found in the bird are typical of the [athletic] teams. The bird is swift, and that is true of the team; the bird is brave, and that too is true of the players; the bird is noble, and that can be said of our athletes in that they know how to lose nobly as well as to win. The bird is always fair in battle, and this is a quality we have greatly admired in our team in the games with other teams." Those who chose the falcon to represent Seattle Pacific nearly 80 years ago made an excellent and enduring choice.

EMERITI UPDATES DECEMBER 2012:

Our emeriti are so impressive traveling from Ulaanbaatar to Iquazu Falls; writing poetry, novels and textbooks well into their 90's; continuing to participate with church, family and friends This writer is in awe and motivated by them all. Thank you so much for your contributions.

Dorothy Balch, wife of Emeritus Wayne Balch who retired from Department of Music in 1985. In September 2012 I attended and experienced a very unusual cousins reunion in Rockford, Illinois. On my mother's side only, out of 18 descendants from her and her five siblings, 14 are living and all 14 attended the two-day festivities. They arrived from all corners of the U.S.A including California, Florida, Washington, New York, Texas and the Midwest. What a blessing it was to see and hear about all of these cousins, their families and their lives to this date. I am thankful and happy for all my family, children, grandchildren and the beautiful great grandchildren! God is grand! Looking forward to a renewed/improved nation and world!

Ron Boyce, retired Dean of Social and Behavioral Sciences; Professor of Urban and Regional Studies. Greetings! I still keep plugging along, but am definitely slowing down and looking up. Nevertheless, this year will be a banner year for me in the publication department. I have three chapters in a book scheduled for publication in January. The book is: Dando, William (Ed.-in-Chief). 2013. *Geography of the Holy Land: New Insights*. Kaohsiung, Taiwan. Holy Light Theological Seminary Press for the Bible Geography Specialty Group of the Association of American Geographers. The three chapters are: (1) "The First Precept (Gen. 1:28), the Primary Purpose of Cities, and the Provision of God," (2) "The First Precept: Implications for a New Theology of Cities," and (3) "Jerusalem—a City for all Seasons."

I also continue to be Professor at Large for Bakke Graduate University where I primarily advise and supervise D.Min. Dissertations, etc. My family is doing well, but I am having difficulty keeping up. Look forward to seeing you all again soon.

David Dickerson (Betty Ann), retired from English Department and OAA in 1992. Many of you have declared that we "flunked" retirement, and we have just added additional condemning evidence, having spent seven weeks in September to November at Rafiki Village, Kenya—our ninth time at this village. Betty Ann did remedial work with students and David taught 9th, 10th, and 11th grade English. David may be a bit of a jinx because the past two years the Kenyan High School English teacher has quit and David has inherited the upper three grades. This is exciting for him, but not exactly the way to build a long range program.

Ruby Englund (David), retired from School of Health Sciences in 2007. I recently completed an historical research project for Psi -at-large Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau, the national honor society for nursing. The organization was celebrating its 50th anniversary so Dr. Chris Henshaw, former SPU faculty and I spent hours in the archives at the University of Washington searching for relevant documents. We did locate the original charter and photos of the first chapter officers. Finding recent documents was more of a challenge since minutes had been stored electronically in systems that are no longer used and more difficult to access. The celebration took place with 300 nurses in attendance at the Museum of Flight with renowned nursing leader Dr. Patricia Benner as keynote speaker. Current SPU nursing students assisted at the event, wearing old nursing student uniforms, including Della Tiede's nursing cape which she wore when she was an SPC/UW nursing student at Harborview.

We continue to follow the SPU soccer teams and look forward to the basketball season. Go Falcons! (Editors note: Ruby is arranging our special emeriti attendance at a women's basketball game against Western Washington University February 16, 2013.)

Ken Foreman: See special segment on page 8

Evette Hackman (Robert), retired from Food and Nutritional Sciences in 2004. This year was really special because we accomplished a long time goal of walking the Camino de Santiago in Spain. This is a walking pilgrimage that has many routes throughout Spain with Santiago as the destination. We began in St. Jean Pied du Port in southwestern France, crossed the spectacular Pyrenees on foot and walked about 13 miles a day for about 250 miles (plus additional side trips). We met amazing people along the way and got to know some of them very well. It was so inspiring that we plan to do another Spanish route in spring of 2013. It was more beautiful and more inspiring that I had expected. This summer we enjoyed trips in the states and especially Washington. After the success of the Camino de Santiago trip I joined a hiking group through the University of Washington Auxiliary and have gone on some amazing hikes every Tuesday. We go every week rain or shine. I love being outside and the people are amazing. My cataract surgery this December went well and seems to be successful so far. I no longer need glasses for distance but still need them for reading.

Daniel Harris (Phyllis), Professor and Chair Business and Economics; Director Social and Behavioral Science in 1990. The year 2012 brought an exciting change for us. Our "eastside" family invited us to join them at Moses Lake, WA. So after much discussion and prayer we decided to make the move. This move puts us in close touch with three grand children and 5 1/2 great grandchildren. This of course is an opportunity for a challenging ministry. The culture here is different than the west side and new experiences are abundant: a ride on a potato combine and a visit to a wheat field harvest. You are welcome to stop by if you are in the area.

Chet Hausken (Irene), retired from School of Education in 1997. We went to Paris for Irene's birthday and then to Merida, Mexico, to visit Mayan ruins. Next we went to Hong Kong, Beijing, and on to Vladivostok to catch the Siberian Express 6000 miles to Moscow with a stop in Mongolia, Ulaanbaatar. Good trips.

Doris Heritage (Ralph), retired from Physical Education/Athletics in 2009. [Doris suggests that Emeri-Times might feature comments from our science/ecology/nutrition/theology emeriti that might benefit us.] For example regarding the first three chapters of Genesis, she is interested in "the discussions with Mark Abbott in our Sunday school class lately that helps me have more intelligence to share with our students and it seems this topic is one to discuss so we can help them more." We may try life on Whidbey Island for two months soon and then decide if we will move and sell our home in Seattle or stay put for a while.

Emily Hitchens, retired from School of Health Sciences in 2008. I am an active site evaluator for college and university nursing programs, doing two a year. I am a member of Northwest Parish Nurse and Health Ministries Board and am participating in an Atrial-fibrillation health promotion campaign. I am also active in AAUW. I help out four days a week with my granddaughter, Naomi, who is a delightful five year old.

Lucille Kelley (Robert), retired as Dean of the School of Health Sciences and Associate Professor of Nursing in 2012. Retirement thus far has been filled with travel, reading, family time, and boating. Almost immediately upon retirement in spring 2012 Bob and I spent one month in Europe revisiting favorite places and discovering new ones. Highlights included Croatia, Slovenia, and Tunisia. The trip concluded with a week in Fiumicino, an Italian fishing village. Reading for pleasure is a revived and rewarding experience. I truly enjoy being able to read an entire book without interruption! Bob and I spend several days and nights babysitting our Seattle grandchildren and we see our California grandchildren as often as we can which is never enough. Boating continues to be our favorite pastime and we look forward to spending more time exploring the San Juan Islands. Retirement provides time to savor the past and enjoy the present.



You do not need a parachute to skydive. You only need a parachute to skydive twice.

I used to be indecisive. Now I'm not so sure..

Tim Malm (Joanne), retired from the Art Department. Greetings: Shortly after finishing my three weeks of service as a volunteer at Camp Attitude, my family and I along with 19 others, mostly relatives from Honolulu, Hawaii, went on a week long cruise up the inside passage to SW. Alaska, stopping at Ketchikan, Juneau, and Skagway. We were about the Star Princess, a huge cruise-ship docked at pier 91. Of the sites seen, the Sawyer, and South Sawyer glaciers and Tracy Arm were the most stupendous. The color of the glacier where it calved into the sea was unbelievably blue. This was my first long-distance cruise. Hopefully it won't be our last.

Robert D. Larson (Anna Marie), Sociology department in 1992. Anna Marie continues with 24/7 in-home care. She is doing well after two hospice experiences. I cover nights and the kitchen. Life is routine except for an occasional trip. One was to San Antonio to attend my nephew's 75th Birthday Party. He has had a distinguished career and his colleagues came from across the nation to honor him. While in Texas, I explored South Texas with a stay at the historic Tarpon Inn in Port Aransas. Another trip was to San Diego for the Pacific Coast Norwegian Singers Association annual "Sangerfest". This was another great singing experience. My stay was extended a couple of days to lie around the pool. Another trip was to the hospital. (By far the most expensive! Perhaps next time a world cruise?) After three days of extensive tests I was told that I had a "mini-stroke" (What did they mean "mini"?)

We mourn the death of Anna Marie's niece, Kathi Goertzen of KOMO TV. Kathi is the daughter of SPU Alum Don Goertzen and the sister of SPU Trustee Sarah Dial.

Eugene Lemcio (Diane), retired from School of Theology in 2010. Gene's latest book is "Travels with St. Mark: GPS for the Journey, a Pedagogical Aid." Not a reference tool, this unique work is a teaching/learning guide to studying the earliest Gospel. The focus is on showing *how* rather than on telling *what*. "Maps" followed by leading questions and statements help both faculty and students to see how the Evangelist adopted and adapted his sacred texts (as well as Jewish and Greco-Roman resources) in light of his convictions about and experience of Jesus. Noticing the dominance of words and themes leads one to discover the primary concerns of the author and his readers. Observing how St. Mark internally arranged his materials provides a clue as to the kind of work it is and how it was meant to function. This second book in a "series" is published by WIPF & Stock, 2012.

David C. LeShana (Becky), Past President Seattle Pacific University, 1982-1991. Becky and I live in Scottsdale, AZ and would love to meet SPU emeriti faculty visiting in the area. Our phone is 480-538-2299. I continue to be involved in Christian Higher Education. I have served 10 years as a trustee at Azusa Pacific University, the last six as Board Chair. I continue in a new role as Chair Emeritus. Greetings to all.

Mike Macdonald (Karen), retired from European Studies, German and Philosophy in 2007. A few tidbits on MIKE AND KAREN MACDONALD during the last six months: Priority for Karen is her weekly Women at the Well church Bible Study followed by her doll group (a group of ladies who sew dolls that are delivered to poorer areas of Mexico, Guatemala, Africa). For Mike, his weekly church Great Books group comes to the top. (Niall Ferguson's insightful *CIVILIZATION--THE WEST AND THE REST* (2011) recently woke Mike up to the fact that there are atheists who point appreciatively to Christianity as having been central to civilization's advances, even though they reject the God/man Jesus and his death and resurrection). Travel highlights were a European River Cruise from Amsterdam to Budapest and two tent trailer trips in Washington and British Columbia, followed by 35 days in our beloved Puerto Vallarta. Karen and Mike continue to love retirement and also staying connected to SPU.



From Wikipedia encyclopedia **Paraprosdokian**: a figure of speech in which the latter part of a sentence or phrase is surprising or unexpected in a way that causes the reader or listener to reframe or reinterpret the first part. Example:

Where there's a will, I want to be in it.

David McKenna (Jan), President of Seattle Pacific University, 1968-1982. If you drive down Lake Street in Kirkland around noon you are likely to see Dave and Jan McKenna being led by a little white Maltese named Molly. A closer look will show Jan pushing a stroller. No, Abraham and Sarah do not have a new baby. The stroller is for Molly when she gets tired and doubles as a walker for Jan because of severe back pain. Molly is The Great Introducer for scores of new friends whom we greet on the way.

Jan's back problem is a mystery that we are trying to solve. Physical therapy, acupuncture, chiropractic treatment, and a series of shots have all failed. Surgery may be necessary, but not without a clear diagnosis.

Dave still writes a book a year. *Christ-centered Higher Education: Memory, Meaning and Momentum for the 21st Century* has just come out and *Christ-centered Leadership: The Incarnational Difference* is ready for publication in 2013.

One of the highlights of the year has been the election of Ed Blews, (daughter) Debra's husband, as President of the Council of Christian Colleges & Universities. Many of you will remember that we organized the Consortium of Christian Colleges and Universities in 1971 with 13 institutions focusing on the integration of faith and learning. Later, the CCCU was formed as the voice and arm of CHE in Washington, D.C. Today, the CCCU has 117 national and 27 international members dedicated to integration and independence.

Anne Lamott's new book is entitled "*Help, Thanks, and Wow!*" What a way to sum up our daily prayers. Our prayer for help is frequent, our prayer of thanks is constant, and when we remember His lavish grace, our prayer is "Wow!"

Annalee Oakes, retired from School of Health Sciences in 1998. Life stays busy! I'm enjoying a Sr. Nursing Consultant/Visiting Professor position at Northwest University—and helping a superb faculty in teaching and working with more than 80 students in the nursing program. The Parish Nursing Role has decreased in client numbers but increased in complexity and time. The mean age of our population is 88 years old and they seek "self-control," a little dignity and respect as they age, and a measure of joy in daily life. Those goals are my goals too!! Husband Phillip and I on August 20, 2012, welcomed our first great granddaughter, Serafina, who is the daughter of Rachel (Strand) and Ben Zupke, both alums of SPU, and granddaughter of Anne (Oakes) and Roger Strand, both also alums of SPU. Keep in touch emeriti folks. We enjoy hearing about your "happenings."

Rose Reynoldson (Elmer), retired from English Department in 1993. I have a book of poetry and early family stories that is out about the same time as this newsletter. Had a reading from it in October at SPU Library. [Editor's note: special event sponsored by University Relations involving SPU emerita Rose Reynoldson: A poet and a beloved teacher of creative writing, Rose returned to Seattle Pacific's campus at 7 p.m. on Thursday, October 11, to read from her work in the Library Seminar Room.] I am involved with a Senior Writing Group at the Senior Center, which is mainly critiquing and copy editing for the several books the group has published.

Marilyn S. Severson, retired from Foreign Languages & Literatures in 2004. During 2012 I have been continuing with my volunteer activities at my church, tutoring at Literacy Source, participating in two book groups, and exercising in a water aerobics class three times a week plus adding a gentle yoga class. In late May and early June I spent two weeks in Alaska with two long-time friends. We enjoyed sights in Seward, Anchorage, Denali National Park, Fairbanks, and along the highway to and from those places. After a week at home I flew off to Rochester, NY, to attend the graduation of one of my great nieces from high school (in Canandaigua, NY). My great nephew is working as an assistant in English classes at two high schools in Cherbourg-Octeville, France this year, so hopefully another trip to France is in my future before the end of April 2013:-) I'm thankful for good health and good friends!

Stella Warnick, Family and Consumer Sciences since 2001 (still teaches as an adjunct). I love being on partial retirement because I have more time to attend to my home and plant a big garden. It also gives me more time to spend with my granddaughter, Katarina, and grandson, Kevin. I flew to Cincinnati in June to attend the high school graduation of Katarina. What a joy! In August I flew to Manhattan with grandson, Kevin. We trudged all through Manhattan: stock exchange, monorail, fountains and saw "The Lion King." What an amazing production.

Dick Wood (Priscilla), retired from Mathematics and Computer Science in 2003. In June we enjoyed a two-week trip to Germany including a week's cruise on the Elbe River. The trip started in Hamburg, Germany, and ended in Prague, Czech Republic. Saw much of the former East Germany. We spent a short week at Ocean Shores again at the end of the summer. Weather was great. We returned home a couple of days before Dick had his right shoulder replaced (left side was done three years ago). He is recovering nicely. Priscilla has a bit more free time now that she has retired from keeping statistics for the girls' basketball team at Auburn High and acting as score-keeper for the school's volleyball team. We wish our SPU friends a blessed Christmas season!

In honor of Dr. Foreman's 90th birthday this past August, *Emeri-Times* is pleased to feature how Ken and Denise spent the year:

Ken Foreman (Denise), retired from Professor and Chair of Physical Education in 1999.

Denise and I just returned from a visit to Costa Rica where we hiked through the cloud forest at Monteverdi, across hanging bridges, and through an amazing array of trees and vines. Our hikes took us both through and above the forest canopy. We traveled for several hours from Monteverdi, by jeep-boat and jeep, traversing mountain ridges, twenty miles across Lake Arenal, and up to the Arenal Observatory Lodge. The lodge, first constructed as a research site, is situated 1.7 miles south of the Arenal volcano, one of the most active volcanoes in the world. When we arrived on the observation deck at the lodge the volcano stood as a dramatic contrast to the forest green and the azure blue sky. Later that afternoon the clouds descended (as it does most days we were told), so we hiked in the rain forest and enjoyed the world of butterflies and birds.

Last spring we traveled to Buenos Aires where we stayed at Dale and Gail Foreman's favorite hotel in the Barrio Norte. We took bus tours throughout the city. High on our list of places visited were the Plaza de Mayo site of the city's turbulent history, the Casa Rosada made famous by Juan and Eva Peron, the Cementerio de la Recoleta where Eva is embalmed in the family vault, and the newly developed Puerto Madero. One evening we had an interesting dinner at the Café Tortoni, made famous in the heyday of the tango. Our primary reason for going to Argentina was to see Iguazu Falls, number one on our to-do list. We boarded our early flight on the third morning in Argentina, for the one-hour flight to Puerto Iguazu, checked into our hotel, and caught a "city bus" for the 30 minute ride to the entrance to Iguazu National Park.

I need to digress here because this is a stunningly remarkable place, often described as one of the "great natural wonders of the world", situated on the borders of Argentina and Brazil, with access through Paraguay, where the mile wide Iguazu River throws itself over cliffs higher than Niagara Falls. While viewing Iguazu Falls, Eleanor Roosevelt was heard to say, "Poor Niagara." And, she was right!

After entering the national park we boarded a small train that wound through the jungle, stopping at selected viewing sites, and ending at a half-mile long causeway above the placid waters as the river flows toward Garganta del Diablo, frequently called the "Devils Throat". I struggle for words to describe the scene. The causeway entered a small, forested island, from which we emerged into an explosion of deafening sound and spray at the edge of the falls. The power is beyond reason. It is unlike anything that I have experienced this side of WWII.

On August 29th, about 30 friends joined me for my 90th birthday hike to Alta Vista, above Paradise in Mt. Rainier National Park. Next year, all things working well, we will hike to Panorama Point.

I have just published the 3rd book written since retiring from SPU in 1999. The first book was "The Fragile Champion –Doris Brown Who Always Ran the Extra Mile." The second, "A Coach's Journey: From A Sand Lot To The Olympic Stadium." and the most recent is "Spitting Through A Knothole." I wrote the latter to honor my father, who with his young wife arrived at a mission station in Yavatmal, India, in October 1913. Dad always said to his three boys "that spitting through a knothole is not a big thing, but if you are the best, that is a big thing!" And, my dad was also right!

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In Memory Of...

WESLEY WALLS: On Friday, June 29, long-time faculty member and academic leader at Seattle Pacific, Wesley Walls died. He was 96 years old and had invested 38 years of his life in SPU. Walls first joined the SPC faculty in 1941 and became chairman of the political science department. He also served as registrar for six years, and was the first men's basketball coach. He became dean of liberal arts, and then was named the first director of the School of Business and Economics. His work at Seattle Pacific was interrupted by a Fulbright Fellowship, and twice by being recalled into the chaplaincy of the U.S. Army. When he retired, Walls was granted emeritus status.

A tribute upon his retirement in 1981 stated, "The major lifetime investment which Wesley Walls has made at Seattle Pacific University has enriched the lives of countless students making them more careful and rigorous thinkers, and the major direction of Seattle Pacific University has taken in its academic course is due in great part to his gracious managerial skills as a dean, department chairman, and school director. Numerous faculty colleagues seeking to expand the horizons of their experience have found Wesley Walls a wise and efficient counselor, sensitive to their unique needs in academic pursuits."

Wesley Walls established the F. Wesley Walls and Elizabeth Walls School of Business and Economics Endowment. Elizabeth passed away in 2005 at the age of 88.

Wes Walls was such a beloved and loyal man, with such a long history of connection with SPU. He has been described as a beautiful person, always a good word for others, always that little smile across his radiant face, and always, to the end, an inquisitive mind. He will be missed by our community. *(data obtained from Response)*



GEORGIA SUMMERS WASH, wife of Emeritus Professor Hubert Wash, died June 22, 2012, at the age of 90. Born in Shelbyville, Illinois, she taught in a one-room schoolhouse after attending Greenville College. Georgia met Hubert at Greenville, they were wed, and they enjoyed 67 years together. Generous and intelligent, mother of five daughters, she sewed much of their clothing. Georgia also worked at various jobs, including in a bobby-pin factory, as a librarian, and as a real estate agent. Her creativity came to the fore as producer of numerous musicals at Spring Arbor College where she also directed and sewed beautiful costumes and designed sets. During his tenure at SPU, her husband was professor of music and dean of the School of Fine and Performing Arts. A devoted mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother, she lived, say her children, "a faith-driven life" and was a close friend to many at the University and in the church community. Georgia is survived by her husband; her daughters, including **Hallee Wash Viniotis '79**; 11 grandchildren; eight "and-a-half" great-grandchildren; and a sister.

GUSTAVE BREITENBACH 1941 SPC graduate. Gus Breitenbach died September 12, 2012, at the age of 96. The memorial for Gus was on Saturday, October 6, at the Warm Beach Free Methodist Church. According to Response Magazine, Gus enjoyed leading students on study expeditions in Europe. Says daughter **Sonja Breitenbach '79, MEd '92**, "Any student interaction just lit him up." In its tribute to him upon conferring the title of professor emeritus, the SPU Board of Trustees noted his willingness with students "to listen empathetically to their personal concerns."

Born one of six Breitenbach siblings on the family homestead in Saskatchewan, Canada, he continued his higher education at the University of Washington, earning a master's degree in history. A teacher at John Marshall Junior High School and Queen Anne High School, Gus settled his family near SPU and joined First Free Methodist Church before becoming a professor. He and his wife, **Margaret Hanlen Breitenbach '42** (deceased), volunteered in fundraisers for the SPU Annual Fund and generously supported the University. Since the late 1980s, they enjoyed life at the Warm Beach Senior Community.

Reading his German Bible and praying came first in the morning routine for Gus. In later years, his every comment typically ended with "Thanks be to the Lord." Gus is also survived by daughter **Marlene Breitenbach '73, MA '85**; four grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

At the time of publication: DON KERLEE (Ivy) passed away in his sleep on December 8. We will include a more detailed obituary in the next newsletter. Don graduated from SPU in 1951. He was Professor of Physics and Computer Science. He and wife, Ivy, were living at Warm Beach Senior Community at the time of his passing.

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Academic Calendar	
January 3, 2013	Class Instruction begins
March 16-26, 2013	Spring Vacation
March 27, 2013	Class Instruction begins
March 31, 2013	Easter
June 7, 2013	Ivy Cutting
June 9, 2013	Commencement 12:30 p.m. at Key Arena
September 30, 2013	Autumn Quarter class instruction begins



Paraproisdokian:

I'm supposed to respect my elders, but it's getting harder and harder for me to find one now.

