



Whitworth's mission is to provide its diverse student body an education of mind and heart, equipping its graduates to honor God, follow Christ and serve humanity.

### President's Message

nnual reports generally focus on means rather than ends. You can't have the latter without the former, so these reports reflect an essential element in the Whitworth experience. This year, people who generously support Whitworth were responsible for more than \$8.5 million in gifts. We could not be more grateful. So this report also attempts to provide Whitworth's supporters with snapshots of the ends – the outcomes of their investments in the Whitworth mission. We hope you enjoy glimpses of what we live with and appreciate every day.

As I write this message, I'm sprawled on my daughter's couch in Boise, Idaho. My attempt to think of something worth saying is being accompanied by the cadence of her patting the back of the baby she and her husband brought into the world 19 days ago. Either this boy has done something worthy of a pat on the back or he has some air in him that needs to escape. Probably the latter. I just asked my daughter what I should write about. She suggested that the boy whose back she's tapping might be a good subject. Even I wouldn't do that.

I will, however, report on some hopes I have for this boy. First, I hope he has the good sense to follow in his parents' footsteps to Whitworth. At this point he's not giving off

any vibes, so I don't need to start twisting his microscopic arm. But what I really hope is that the Whitworth Class of 2030 will find in their college experience what I read this morning in the fourth verse of Psalm 27.

The probable writer, King David, was facing tough times. Commentators can't pin down the exact circumstances, but it sounds like he was making this declaration right before or after a battle.

"The Lord is my light and my salvation," he wrote. "Whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid? ....[T]hough an army encamp against me, my heart shall not fear; though war rise up against me, yet I will be confident. One thing I asked of the Lord, that will I seek after: to live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to inquire in his temple. For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble...."

It's hard for us to see a child come into the world without shuddering at the thought of all the battles that could erupt between now and 2026 – economic, cultural, environmental and military battles, and some that haven't been invented yet. Yet we share David's confidence that, "in the day of trouble," God will shelter us.

It is his exquisite "one prayer" in verse 4 that inspires my hope for Whitworth when the babies being born today show up in 2026: "to live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to inquire in his temple."

We hope students will find the house of the Lord to be not a fortress that protects them from the world, but a home that shows Christ's love for creation and his longing for its redemption.

We hope students will find the beauty of the Lord – in art, in music, in the subjects they study and in the relationships they cultivate.

Finally, we hope students will find God's people alive with questions – that they will find themselves in the company of Christ's followers who are humble enough to admit how little they understand and daring enough to ask unsettling questions.

Many of you mentioned in this annual report have made plans and investments that will secure for our students the faith, beauty and curiosity for which David prayed and for which Whitworth hopes. Thank you so much. We pledge our best efforts to stay faithful to this hope.



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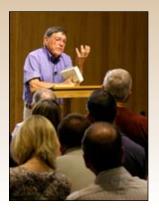
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## 2007-08 Year in Review



July 9-13, 2007
More than 300 pastors and lay leaders attended the 32nd
Whitworth Institute of Ministry.
Featured speakers included theologian and Bible translator
Eugene Peterson; senior pastor of Seattle's University Presbyterian
Church Earl Palmer; Whitworth
Professor Emeritus of Religion Dale
Bruner; and noted author, educator and pastor Roberta Hestenes.

Aug. 17, 2007
Whitworth University was again ranked among the top 10 best universities and best values in the West in U.S. News & World Report's annual rankings of 116 master's-level universities in the 17-state region of the West.



Sept. 20, 2007
Dinesh D'Souza, best-selling
author and one of America's most
influential conservative thinkers,
spoke to a full Cowles Auditorium
about "Christianity, Islam and the
War on Terror."

Oct. 11, 2007
Omache Field,
a recreational
and intramural
sports field for
the Whitworth
community,
was dedicated
in a ceremony
recognizing lead



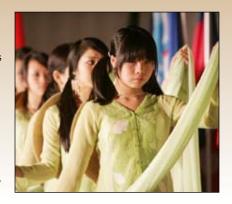
donors John, '51, and E. Judith Scotford. The field's name honors the generations of Whitworth students and alumni from the Okanogan Valley, which was once known as Omache by the Okanogan Indians.



Nov. 10, 2007 Grammy Awardwinning jazz trumpeter Terence Blanchard, a renowned bandleader, arranger and filmscore composer, performed in a packed Cowles

Auditorium with the Whitworth Jazz Ensemble. At the Lionel Hampton Jazz Festival in the spring, the jazz ensemble captured first place in the college division for the sixth time since 1996.

Nov. 16, 2007
A full slate of Cultural
Awareness Week events
culminated with the
popular International
Banquet and Talent
Show; this year's theme
was "Celebrating the
Song of our Humanity:
Embracing the
Rhythms of Every Life."





Nov. 18, 2007
The Whitworth
Wind Symphony fall
concert featured Judith
Schoepflin, associate
professor of music
and director of piano
studies at Whitworth,
in the world premiere
of Sinfonietta for Piano
and Wind Symphony,
composed by Associate
Professor Emeritus of
Music Michael Young.

March 9, 2008
The Whitworth
Symphony Orchestra's
spring concert
featured winners
of the university's
second annual
concerto competition:
pianist Rachel
Cutler, '10; violinist
Michael Korpi, '09;
and composer Shawn
Tolley, '08.



April 11, 2008

Whitworth University moved up two spots, to No. 30, in Kiplinger's 2008 rankings of the 50 best private university values – a list that includes some of the most prestigious schools in the country. Whitworth repeated as the highest-ranked Northwest school in the rankings.



April 15, 2008

Actress Gin Hammond portrayed 24 different characters affected by apartheid in South Africa in a gripping performance of *The Syringa Tree* in Cowles Auditorium. The acclaimed Broadway play, based on the autobiographical book by Pamela Gien, won a 2001 Obie Award.



#### Oct. 12-20, 2007

Whitworth's fall theatre production featured Bertolt Brecht's interpretation of the classical Greek play Antigone. Director Brooke Kiener, '99, says that the classical play, in a modern translation, examines the clash between loyalty to one's country and loyalty to one's beliefs.

Oct. 24-27, 2007

The Whitworthian placed third in "Best of Show" among four-year weekly tabloids at the 86th annual Associated Collegiate Press/College Media Advisors National College Media Convention. The Whitworthian later was recognized as the third best all-around non-daily student newspaper by the Society of Professional Journalists 2008 Region 10 Mark of Excellence Awards.



#### Nov. 1, 2007

Whitworth was honored in 2007 as a top producer of Fulbright Scholars. Seven Whitworth students and four faculty members have been selected for Fulbright awards since 2000.



Dec. 13, 2007 Whitworth was one of five institutions nationwide selected by the Fidelity® Charitable Gift Fund and Campus Compact to develop a student-run philanthropy program. Student participants

solicited and evaluated grant applications before awarding grants to two nonprofits serving Spokane's West Central Neighborhood.

Feb. 2, 2008 Whitworth and Crichton College were selected to receive the 2008 Robert and Susan Andringa Award for Advancing Racial Harmony from the Council for

Christian Colleges &

Universities.



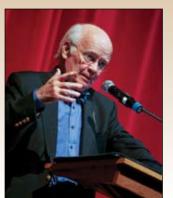




Feb. 5-16, 2008

Heritage Week fell in the heart of presidential primary season this year and focused on the integration of faith and politics. Events included a panel discussion among alumni politicos and lectures by Darrell Guder, dean of Princeton Theological Seminary and former dean of the faculty at Whitworth (top left), and Robert Mitchell, former president of Young Life and vice president of World Vision. Guder and Mitchell also received honorary doctorates during Spring Convocation.





April 17, 2008 Renowned scholar of American religion Martin E. Marty

presented a lecture, "A Global Local Faith, a Local Global Faith: Christian Possibilities Today," in Cowles Auditorium. A longtime professor at the University of Chicago, Marty is author of more than 50 books and has received 75 honorary doctorates.

#### May 2, 2008

Whitworth claimed the Northwest Conference McIlroy-Lewis All-Sports Trophy for the second time since 2005 by winning a conference-high six NWC titles and adding four runner-up finishes in 2007-08. The award recognizes athletic excellence across all fields of competition in the conference.



#### May 17-18, 2008

Nearly 660 bachelor's and master's degrees were presented in Whitworth's 2008 commencement ceremonies. Professor of Political Science Julia Stronks was keynote speaker for undergraduate commencement while Whitworth President Bill Robinson addressed the graduate ceremony.

#### June 4, 2008

A team comprising Whitworth and University of Washington students was awarded a \$5.000 Best Idea Prize at the UW's Center for Innovation & Entrepreneurship Business Plan Competition. The team, Krochet Kids International, is a nonprofit firm that markets crocheted products made in developing nations to U.S. consumers.

### The Numbers

With more than \$7.1 million in gifts, \$1.4 million in payments of prior pledges, and several significant additions to our endowment, Whitworth enjoyed an 8 percent increase in net assets for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008. Gifts designated to the new visual arts center, the biology/chemistry building, the endowment and The Whitworth Foundation, as well as unrestricted gifts to The Whitworth Fund, make a tremendous difference in the lives of our students. We are very thankful for the 4,700 donors who supported Whitworth during the year.

Based on market conditions alone, the endowment would have posted losses for the year, but the sale of

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commitment to our mission.

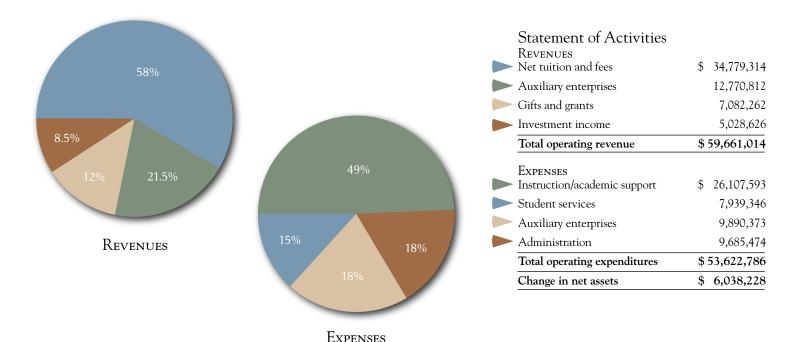
several pieces of highly appreciated real estate boosted Whitworth's endowment holdings 7.4 percent, to \$92,849,110 — still on track to meet our goal of \$100 million by 2010. The Whitworth Foundation's varied assets, which ultimately will support the endowment, ended the year at \$21,703,854. These assets, while

not part of the operating budget, are important for Whitworth's long-term financial future.

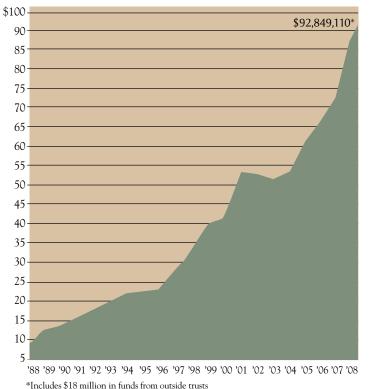
An increase in freshman applications, as well as growth in continuing studies and graduate programs, reflected continued strong demand for a Whitworth education. Another year of record enrollment, with just over 2,600 students on Whitworth's rolls, generated steady growth in tuition revenue and in expenses for instruction and auxiliary enterprises such as room and board. In terms of overall net worth, Whitworth enjoyed a small increase. One of the biggest changes from 2007, in cash and cash equivalents, came as a result of funds that had been collected for projects like the visual arts building and are now being spent to complete construction. In addition, the university is using cash for residence-hall construction and design for the biology/chemistry building until an expected bond issue goes through.

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Note: Numbers on this page are subject to change pending final audit.







#### Net Worth (in millions)



Five-Year Giving Summary							
Year	The Whitworth Fund	Other Unrestricted	Unrestricted Total	Restricted Total	Grand Total*		
2003-04	\$1,055,106	\$621,672	\$1,676,778	\$4,816,656	\$6,493,434		
2004-05	\$1,350,450	\$664,522	\$2,014,972	\$7,563,498	\$9,578,470		
2005-06	\$1,359,026	\$751,728	\$2,110,754	\$6,435,778	\$8,617,732		
2006-07	\$1,419,815	\$729,479	\$2,149,294	\$8,472,960	\$10,622,254		
2007-08	\$1,393,006	\$713,913	\$2,106,919	\$6,403,429	\$8,510,348		

<sup>\*</sup>Reflects all gifts, including payments received this year on prior-year pledges

Alumni Participation Rate							
Year	Participation Rat						
2003-04	23.4						
2004-05	25.4						
2005-06	<b>25</b> .8						
2006-07	23.5						
2007-08	22.3 %						

- •Whitworth's alumni-giving percentage was down last year, even though we had 2,874 alumni donors. As our number of alumni increases by more than 500 each year, gifts of any size from alumni are greatly appreciated to maintain, and, we hope, increase Whitworth's alumni giving rate.
- In Fiscal Year 2008, 802 alumni, parents and friends made their first gifts to Whitworth, comprising 18 percent of our total donor households. Consistent annual gifts from these new donors will be a key to Whitworth's continued success.
- Fifty percent of all Whitworth donors belong to The 1890 Society, a giving club that recognizes faithful donors who give for three or more years consecutively.

#### The Whitworth Foundation

The Whitworth Foundation was established in 1972 with the purpose of helping individuals establish deferred gifts, such as charitable trusts and gift annuities. These arrangements provide tax savings and lifetime income to donors while ultimately growing the university's endowment. The Whitworth Foundation is grateful to all alumni and friends who have included Whitworth in their estate plans. Your investment makes a difference in the lives of future students.

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#### Total Deferred Gifts under Management As of June 30, 2008

Trusts	\$15,965,959
CGAs	2,021,866
Pooled funds	364,782
Life-insurance cash value	3,351,246
Total assets	\$21,703,853
2006-07 maturities transferred to Whitworth endowment	\$2,147,703

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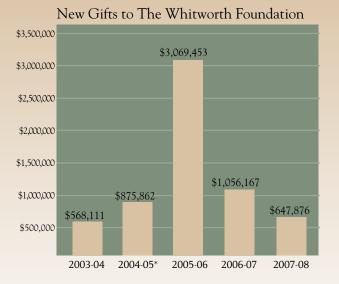
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20 January 09

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
December 2008  1 2 3 4 5 6  7 8 9 10 11 12 13  14 15 16 17 18 19 20  21 22 23 24 25 26 27  28 29 30 31	February 2009  1 2 3 4 5 6 7  8 9 10 11 12 13 14  15 16 17 18 19 20 21  22 23 24 25 26 27 28			New Year's Day	First day of classes at Whitworth College in Tacoma, 1900	3
4	Jan Term classes begin	6		8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	First issue of <i>The Whitworthian</i> is published, 1905	Alumni Night at Fieldhouse Basketball vs. PLU
18	Martin Luther King, Jr., Day	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	Last day of Jan Term	28	29	30	31

Students enjoy a quiet cup of coffee or tea in the HUB's beautiful Mind & Hearth Coffee House. The coffee house, which looks out on the Whitworth Loop, is a center of campus activity and conversation.





20 February 09

SUNDAY **MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY** Spring Convocation Presidential candidate John F. Kennedy visits campus, 1960 Valentine's Day L. Oakland Film Festival Whitworth College founded, 1890 L. Oakland Film Festival L. Oakland Film Festival March 2009 January 2009 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 29 30 31

Longtime faculty colleagues Leonard Oakland and Tammy Reid, '60, don their academic regalia for Whitworth's 2008 commencement ceremony. Oakland's 42 years of service to Whitworth are being celebrated this month with the first Leonard A. Oakland Film Festival and a banquet in his honor.





## 20 March 09

**SUNDAY MONDAY TUESDAY** WEDNESDAY **THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY** Spring Theatre Production Spring Theatre Production Spring Theatre Production Ballard Hall, men's dormitory, burns to the ground, 1927 Birthday of George F. Whitworth, founder of Whitworth College, b. 1816 St. Patrick's Day Spring Break Spring Break Spring Break Spring Break Spring Break April 2009 February 2009 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 26 27 28 29 30

A pumped-up fieldhouse crowd cheers the men's basketball team on to victory in a second-round game in the 2008 NCAA Division III playoffs. The Bucs hold back-to-back championships in DIII's tough Northwest Conference.





20 April 09

WEDNESDAY SUNDAY MONDAY **TUESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY** SATURDAY March 2009 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 Frank F. Warren becomes 29 30 31 12th Whitworth president, 1940 Good Friday Tax Day Whitworth party leaves Indiana in covered wagon, bound for Oregon, 1853 Inauguration of Robert H. Mounce as 15th Whitworth president, 1981 Annual Hawaiian Club Luau May 2009 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 <sup>24</sup>⁄<sub>31</sub> 25 26 27 28 39 30

Students connect and bicycles collect outside the entrance to Weyerhaeuser Hall. Funded with gifts to Whitworth's successful Faith in the Future Campaign, Weyerhaeuser Hall is one of the university's primary academic buildings as well as a regular venue for public lectures.





20 May 09

**SUNDAY MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY** April 2009 June 2009 To qualify to receive next 1 2 3 4 1 2 3 4 5 6 year's calendar, visit 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 www.whitworth.edu/give 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 to make a gift by June 30. 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 26 27 28 29 30 28 29 30 **Graduate Commencement** Mother's Day Classes of '39 & '49 Reunion Groundbreaking for first building on Undergraduate Baccalaureate Spokane campus, McMillan Hall, 1914 and Commencement Memorial Day

Proud moms capture the moment as their sons and friends celebrate following Whitworth's 118th commencement ceremony. More than 650 bachelor's- and master's-degree candidates are expected to cross the stage this May.





20 June 09

WEDNESDAY SUNDAY MONDAY **TUESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY** May 2009 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 <sup>24</sup>/<sub>31</sub> 25 26 27 28 39 30 Baseball team wins NAIA national championship, 1960 Flag Day Whitworth's first commencement, 1891 Father's Day July 2009 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31

Assistant Professor of Biology Michael Sardinia, '87, works with Whitworth summer-research students Katie Fuller and Nick Strand as they study a protein central to understanding Alzheimer's disease.





20 July 09

SUNDAY **MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY** June 2009 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 Bill Robinson begins tenure as 28 29 30 17th president of Whitworth, 1993 Independence Day Whitworth Institute of Ministry Wedding of George F. Whitworth and Mary E. Thomson, 1838 Whitworth Institute of Ministry Whitworth Institute of Ministry Whitworth Institute of Ministry Whitworth Institute of Ministry August 2009 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22  $\frac{24}{31}\frac{23}{30}$  25 26 27 28 29

Professor of Religion Jim Edwards, '67, translates ancient Greek from the stone ruins at the Hellinistic city of Priene, in modern Turkey. Edwards and his wife, Janie, '68, led a group of alumni, parents and friends to Turkey in June 2008 to study the travels of St. Paul.





# 20 August 09

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
July 2009  1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31	September 2009  1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30					
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9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16		18	19	Death of former college president Edward B. Lindaman, 1982	21	22
24/31	23/30	25	26	27	28	Residence Halls Open

Dedicated in October 2008, the new Ernst F. Lied Center for the Visual Arts is a campus centerpiece with its six studios, state-of-the-art graphics lab, permanent-collection display and rotating exhibits in the Bryan Oliver Gallery and the Cowles Square and Student Gallery.





20 September 09

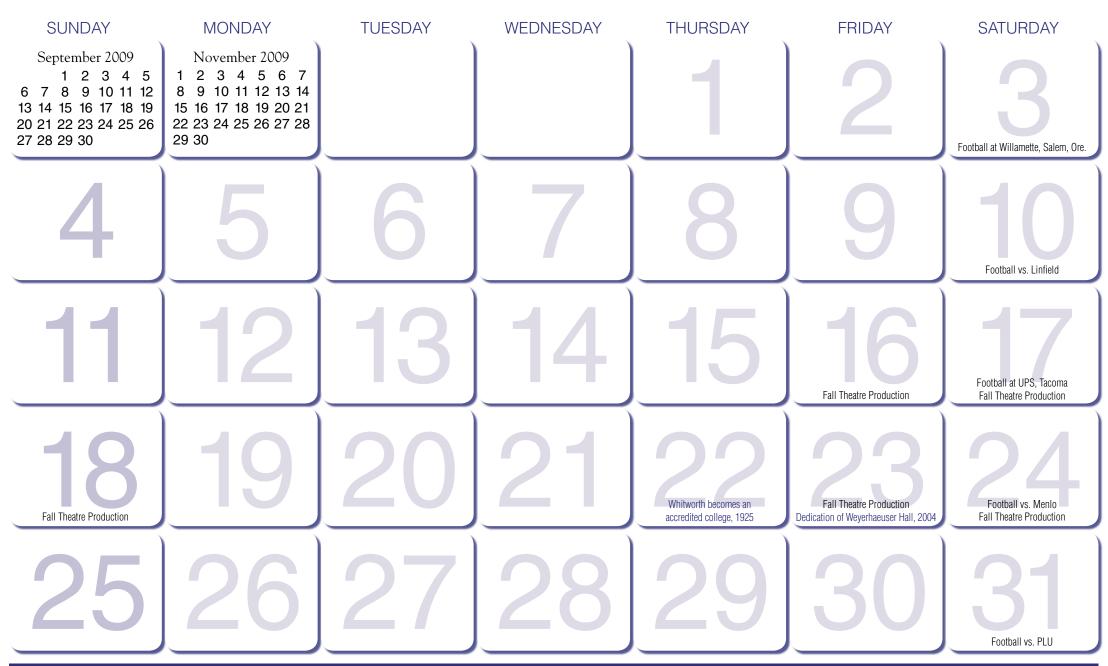
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Students gather near McEachran Hall against a backdrop of deep green lawns and towering pines as late September brings warm days, crisp nights, and brilliant fall colors to the Whitworth campus.





## 20 October 09



Singing swashbucklers delight the audience in a recent production of *The Pirates of Penzance* by Whitworth's music and theatre programs. Professor of Theatre Rick Hornor, '70, directed the popular comic operetta – the first Gilbert & Sullivan production to hit the Whitworth Main Stage.





## 20 November 09



Grammy Award-winner Terence Blanchard teams with Whitworth Jazz Ensemble member Jared Hall at the ensemble's 2007 fall concert. The annual concert, which, in the words of Whitworth President Bill Robinson, is guaranteed to "blow the roof off the joint," is a highlight of the university's fall music season.





# 20 December 09

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
November 2009  1 2 3 4 5 6 7  8 9 10 11 12 13 14  15 16 17 18 19 20 21  22 23 24 25 26 27 28  29 30		Groundbreaking for Jay P. Graves Gymnasium, 1941	2	3	4	5
6		8	9	10	11	12
13	14	Student body selects "Pirates" as name for athletics teams, 1926	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	Christmas Eve	Christmas Day	26
27	28	29	30	New Year's Eve		January 2010  1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24/3125 26 27 28 29 30

A lone luminaria shines as part of an annual Whitworth event featuring a host of such candles, representing faculty, staff and retiree donors, that light up the wintry campus paths leading to the President's Christmas Reception in the HUB.























