

Celebrating the Campus School at Western, 1899-1967

## The Campus Schooler

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## Why Campus School?

"I followed my sister and brothers ... I feel the school needed some kids to complete the lower end of the Bell Curve." — E. L. Freeberg.

#### Fowl Lesson

"One ... memory was the day my chicken followed me to school. ... I was late leaving for school and I didn't close the door to the area the chicken was in ... The teacher wasn't too happy and I had to take the darn thing home .. That was the end of the chicken."—Patricia Schwalm Driscoll.

## **CS Teachers Knew Best!**

"Learned to touch type in 4th or 5th grade. Failed to learn penmanship. Turns out with the advent of personal computers to have been a good choice. Still type 60 [words a minute]."—Paul Herbold.

## Junior Frogmen

"The 7th, 8th, and 9th grades were held in a wing of Old Main.... We would creep into the heating tunnel looking for frogs from time to time.." — Brian Lane Griffin.

Museum Exhibit, Reunion Planned for 2007

# CALLING ALL CAMPUS SCHOOLERS!

Welcome to the inaugural issue of *The Campus Schooler*. Our aim is to keep you informed about two upcoming events that we are certain you will want to know about. First, on June 10, 2007, a special exhibit about the Campus School (earlier known as the Normal Training School) will open at the Whatcom Museum of History and Art in Bellingham. And then, on August 25, 2007, there will be a Normal Training/Campus School reunion at Western Washington University.

WWU Libraries Special Collections and the Woodring College of Education are working together on these exciting initiatives. A Steering Committee has overall responsibility for the work of the Exhibit Committee and the Reunion Committee. The Campus School Memories Project, a subgroup of the Exhibit Committee, has responsibility for collecting memories and memorabilia for the exhibit. After the exhibit, with permission of donors, memorabilia will be housed permanently in the Campus School Collection in the Libraries' Special Collections.

The Campus School Memories Project has been actively soliciting your personal memories, and your response to date has been remarkable. Each issue of *The*  Campus Schooler will feature selections from your poignant, warm-hearted, funny, wry, and nostalgic answers to our questions. Future issues will also include notes on memorabilia received so far (see **Treasure Trove** on page 2) as well as updates on exhibit and reunion planning.

This issue includes a listing of committee chairs. They welcome your comments and input at any time. At our website (see address, below) you will find links to our questionnaires and a steadily expanding photo gallery that will surely bring back memories. More features are on their way, so plan to visit the site often.

Up and away Junior Vikings! Let's go Bulldogs! 2007 is your year!! The Campus Schooler WWU Libraries Special Collections 516 High St. Bellingham, WA 98225-9103

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## The Bulldog Waits!

Normal Training School alumni and Campus Schoolers, we want to hear from you. The CS Bulldog is the symbol of our determination to make this the best memory gathering effort ever.

We thank everyone who has responded so far. If you have yet to contribute, you can still do so in several different ways. Go to our website (see address, below) and click on the link to the questionnaire appropriate to your experience. There are questionnaires for alumni, teachers/student teachers, and parents of Campus School students.

You can both complete and submit the questionnaires online. There is also an email link for you to use if you'd prefer to submit general comments rather than a questionnaire. And, there is an email link so you can let us know if you'd like to provide your memories in an oral history that we can record on either audio or video tape.

We will also send you a questionnaire by mail; please call Tamara Belts (number opposite) or contact her by email. She can also help you to arrange an oral history session.

## **Treasure Trove**

Showcasing Selected Memorabilia Donations

- ► Photographs from Rob Brand, Jack Carver, Gwinn Dunham, Georgia McCush Bianchi Heald, Florence Winsor Helliesen, John R. Kienast, Judy Hall Lewis, and Jerry Punches.
- ► Creations: Woven mats, carved fork and spoon, animal ceramics, and a papier-mâché reindeer head—from Margie Lee.
- ► Book of poems assembled for the third grade by Miss Kinsman in 1948—from Barbara Morrison Green.
- ► Opening Day Booklet celebrating the new Campus School building in 1943—from Lynne Michel Jangard.

#### Thank You!

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