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Ride the Wave



Henry and Leonora Paetkau

Over 300 people joined the Conrad Grebel University College community to officially install Dr. Henry Paetkau as its sixth President on February 9th, 2003. Special guests included Henry's family, David Johnston, UW President, and David Brubacher, the Minister to Conference of Mennonite Church Eastern Canada.

In David's charge to Henry, he spoke of the instinctiveness surfers have when "catching a wave" and the importance of institutions that are now providing a new generation of leaders. In his response, Henry said "My calling and commitment is to lead the College with wisdom from God as it strives to live out its vision and mission." He also encouraged students to "ride the wave" of life's ups and downs with a faith that enables them to find balance on those waves.

Members of Grace Mennonite Church of St. Catharines commissioned a choral piece, entitled "Wisdom is Glorious," from Leonard Enns to celebrate this occasion. The song was based on a text from Proverbs and was performed by the Conrad Grebel Chapel Choir

Henry is not a newcomer to Grebel. He completed his Masters degree in History in 1977 under the supervision of Frank H. Epp (second Grebel President.) He also served on the Conrad Grebel Board of Governors for 8 years. Henry has been a long time leader in the Mennonite Church, serving as a pastor for 22 years in Ontario. Most recently, Henry was the Denominational Minister of Mennonite Church Canada in Winnipeg.

Engineers Without Borders

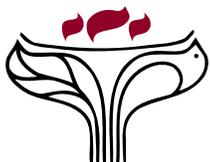
by Trisha Niemeyer

Throughout the past year I have been actively involved with the Waterloo chapter of Engineers Without Borders (EWB). In supporting our bid to host the EWB National Conference that took place at the end of January, I gained a greater appreciation of the goals that EWB strives to meet and the opportunities that it provides.

Engineers Without Borders is a young and fast growing organization dedicated to promoting appropriate technology and organizing motivated people to share their technical expertise

with those in need. Although EWB is only a few years old, it now has a membership in excess of 2500, with 21 chapters from St. Johns to Victoria. In this short time, EWB has promoted educational awareness of development issues throughout Canadian universities, as well as supported the overseas work of forty interns who have partnered with existing NGO (Non-government Organization) projects. The mission of EWB is to "help people in developing countries gain access to the technologies they need to improve their lives." The planning committee for the conference wanted to take this mission one step further and recognize the interactions of many different disciplines involved in international development.

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This year's national conference, "Engineering in International Development: One piece of the puzzle," was designed to challenge members of the organization and greater community to consider environmental, social, political and culture issues when solving technical problems.

During late night planning sessions, our small committee could be found debating the necessity of integrating disciplines and resources while discussing possible themes for this national conference.



Trisha Niemeyer, Systems Design Engineering and Past Grebel Resident

After just under a year's worth of work, our planning culminated in a four day event where approx.

300 delegates, a mix of professionals and students from across Canada, the United States, and the United Kingdom, actively participated in internship and appropriate technology workshops, development scenarios, and presentations displaying current involvements. Various panel discussions and keynote speakers focused on the relationship between engineering and other critical issues in international development including the environment, gender, economics, peace, health, information technology, and long term sustainability. Our vision truly came together.

Beyond participating in organizing this conference, my experiences with EWB are limited. But through this work, I have had the opportunity to discover what other students and professionals are doing to further the cause of development. As an engineering student also interested in humanitarian and environmental issues, I'm inspired by the work of this charity. The enthusiasm and energy of its membership is contagious, which is evident as this primarily student organization begins to enter the professional world. EWB is continually growing due to the efforts of volunteers (Students, Professional Engineers, Academics/Researchers, Development NGO's, Sponsors, and the General Public) who serve in various capacities. I encourage you to visit the EWB National website (www.ewb-isf.org) to view some of the current projects and see how you can get involved.

Check out *Grebel* on the Web
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Masters of Theological Studies

Student Profile: NakSun Kim

Q: Tell me a little bit about yourself.

NakSun: I'm originally from South Korea, but now I live here in Kitchener with my wife and 2 daughters. I studied Christian Studies at Canadian Mennonite University from '98-'02, and before that I lived in South Korea, where my major was Theology. In Korea I was not a serious student. Most of my attention was focused on being the director of a drop-in centre for teenagers who had no parents or only one parent. There, I worked with both volunteers and teenagers.

Q: What made you decide to study in the MTS program at Grebel?

NakSun: My background was Presbyterian, and I studied Presbyterian Theology. While studying at CMU, I became interested in Anabaptist Theology, especially because of the emphasis on peace, community, and discipleship. I wanted to study more about Anabaptist Theology, and I want to work with the Mennonite Churches. I'm currently in the "Ministry Stream" in MTS and a member of Charleswood Mennonite Church in Winnipeg.

Q: What do you plan to do after you graduate?

NakSun: I want to continue studying theology at Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary to finish my Masters of Divinity. Ultimately, I plan to move to Vancouver, so my wife can study there. I hope to be a minister by then.

Q: What is the most significant thing you've learned or discovered while studying here so far.

NakSun: Students in the MTS program are a good community and I'm happy to be here. We are still getting to know each other, but we are now getting to be more comfortable and close with each other. Also, the professors here are wonderful. This is only my second semester here, but I'm very impressed by the professors' intellect, and their integration of it into their lives.

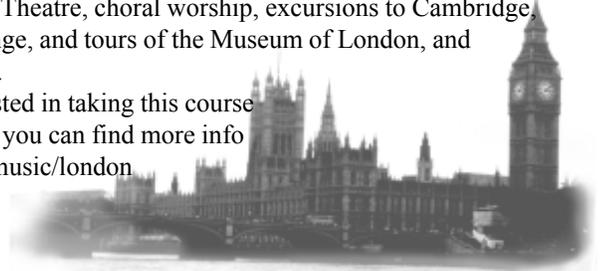


NakSun Kim

Music and Culture in London!

Grebel Music Prof. Ken Hull, inspired by the overwhelming success of Wilber Maust's Music and Culture in Vienna course, has developed a Music and Culture in London course. This two week session, May 22-June 5, 2003, introduces students to the music and cultural life of past and present London. Students attend concerts, theatre, museums, galleries, and architectural sites, as well as lectures and seminars. London's cultural life is among the richest in the world, and its 2000 year old history as a settlement on the shores of the Thames River is present everywhere in countless ruins, ancient buildings, and reconstructions. Some highlights of the class include: concerts at the Royal Festival Hall and Barbican, operas at the Coliseum and Covent Garden, a play at Shakespeare's Globe Theatre, choral worship, excursions to Cambridge, Salisbury, and Stonehenge, and tours of the Museum of London, and Handel House Museum.

If you are interested in taking this course for credit or non-credit, you can find more info at grebel.uwaterloo.ca/music/london or contact Ken Hull at 519-885-0220 x244.

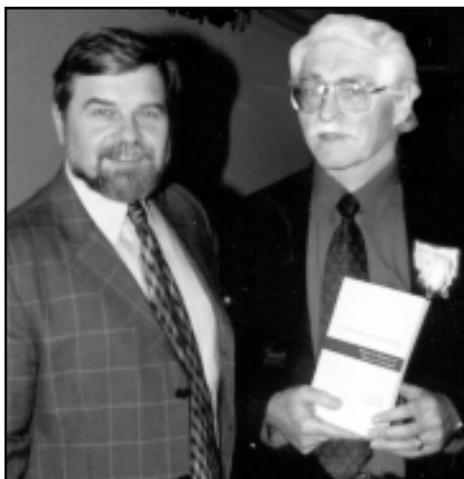


A Jolly Good Scholar

Friends and colleagues gathered together on December 10th, 2002 to honour Werner O. Packull and his career of scholarship and teaching with the publication of a Festschrift - a book of essays inspired by his ideas and research. The event was a surprise celebration and marks 20 years as a History Professor at Conrad Grebel University College and 31 years at the University of Waterloo. John Toews, former Conrad Grebel President, commented "Werner has been a model teacher, scholar, and colleague for twenty years at Grebel. He is held in highest esteem by faculty, students, and staff. When Werner retires at the end of August 2003, the College will miss his disciplined presence, his warm spirit, his gift for story telling, his sense of humour, and his and his wife Karin's gracious hospitality."

Werner said "I was very moved by this event and never in my wildest dreams thought that I would be the beneficiary of a Festschrift. I'm indebted to my colleagues and all the contributors, but particularly thrilled that members of my immediate family had been invited, also my *Doktorvater* (doctoral father), James Stayer, and the three PhD students I have supervised. It will remain the most memorable event of my career at Grebel!"

The Festschrift, officially called "Commoners and Community: Essays in Honour of Werner O. Packull" and spearheaded by C. Arnold Snyder at Pandora Press, is a compilation of original studies by thirteen leading scholars, published in honour of Professor Werner Packull. Snyder describes the book in the Editor's introduction as "a celebratory volume composed of essays honouring a person we value and respect highly, and his significant body of academic work. Contributors were invited to participate because of significant personal and academic relationships to Werner Packull: former PhD students, colleagues, and academic collaborators from around the world."



Arnold Snyder and Werner Packull

As a scholar of the Reformation, and Radical Reformation most specifically, Werner is highly respected by his professional colleagues and is recognized as the world's expert in the history of sixteenth-century Anabaptist communities in Moravia, marked by the publication of the critically-acclaimed "Hutterite Beginnings: Communitarian Experiments during the Reformation" (Baltimore: Johns Hopkins University Press, 1995; paper, 1999). Werner Packull has extended his work into the second phase of Hutterian history, and is using his recent sabbatical to complete a major monograph with the working title "From Religious Dissent to Institutionalized Non-Conformity: Peter Riedemann, The Second Founder of the Hutterites."

GREBEL ALUMNI DATA

As the 40th anniversary approaches, the Alumni executive want to ensure that anyone who lived in residence, or associated with Grebel, is on the Grebel Now mailing list. With the help of Peaceworks Computer Consultants, we have been developing our own alumni database and as a result this issue's circulation has increased as we included some "former students" and Wilfrid Laurier alumni. If you know of someone connected to Grebel who is not currently receiving Grebel Now, please contact us. (519-885-0220 x 229 jkonkle@uwaterloo.ca)

The Future of Anabaptist Mennonite Scholarship

by Jeremy Bergen, a doctoral student at the Toronto School of Theology and administrative assistant at Toronto Mennonite Theological Centre (TMMC).

"Issues in the future of Anabaptist-Mennonite scholarship" were discussed at a conference in Toronto, November 21-22, 2002, organized by TMMC. The thirty Mennonite graduate students attending from Canada and the U.S. were mainly doctoral students in religion, theology, Bible, philosophy, history and pastoral/ministry studies. Students presented papers that related their area of research to the challenges of Anabaptist-Mennonite identity and practice.

"This conference provided me a chance to test the work I'm doing with a group of Anabaptist-Mennonite scholars. This is important because I'm working with theology emerging from this community but in a place far from churches and Mennonite colleagues," said Laura Schmidt Roberts, Ph.D. student in theology at Graduate Theological Union in California.

The conference was the first of its kind and was the vision of Lydia Harder, Student Affairs Advisor for TMMC. "There have been times in our recent history, such as during the 'Concern' movement, when graduate students have challenged the Mennonite church to new visions and greater faithfulness," said Harder.

Presentations at the conference included "Mennonite History as Community Studies," "On the Importance of the Holy Spirit for Pacifists," "Mennonites, Gender and the Fundamentalist/Modernist Debate," and "How to Eat Your Bible: Performance and Understanding for Mennonites."

Besides the relation of faith and scholarship, the conference addressed the role of the church and educational institutions. "Doctoral students in religion study for five years or more without either moral or financial encouragement from the church that expects them to become their teachers and leaders," said Harder. "This event is a concrete sign of support from the larger church."



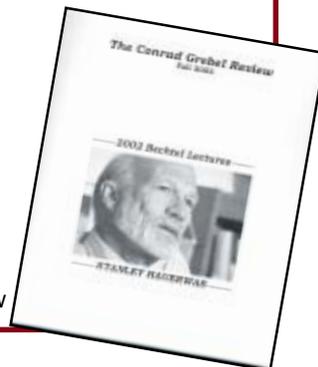
TMMC conference participants, Paul Heidebrecht and Jonathan Seiling

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**The Conrad
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The Fall 2002 issue features articles on Stanley Hauerwas,

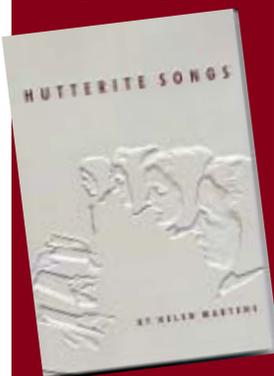
including: *Hauerwas: "Why I'm a Reluctant convert to his Theology"* by A. James Reimer; *"Dietrich Bonhoeffer's Political Theology"* by Stanley Hauerwas; *"Bonhoeffer on Truth and Politics"* by Stanley Hauerwas; *"Why Bonhoeffer, Why Now? A Response to Stanley Hauerwas's 'Dietrich Bonhoeffer's Political Theology'"* by Pamela E. Klassen; *"Response to Stanley Hauerwas"* by Fred Shaffer; and *"Text, Music, and Meaning in Congregational Song"* by Kenneth R. Hull. For Single Issues or subscriptions contact: The Conrad Grebel Review, Conrad Grebel University College, Waterloo, ON N2L 3G6, 519-885-0220 x242 or cgreview@uwaterloo.ca

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Helen Martens

Dr. Helen Martens, the first Grebel music professor, taught from 1966-1993. She has just published a book entitled "Hutterite Songs" detailing her innovative study tracing the origins of Hutterites' sacred songs from the time the earliest Anabaptists began writing them. This study, begun in the '60's, captures a tradition which is now being threatened by the fact that many Hutterites are beginning to sing in four part harmony and to play musical instruments. This book is published by Pandora Press. www.pandorapress.com



— Croatian Connections

James Reimer, Professor of Religious Studies at Conrad Grebel and Director and Academic Advisor of Toronto Mennonite Theological Centre, spent the first half of 2002 on sabbatical as a member of the Center of Theological Inquiry in Princeton, NJ at Princeton University. The Center was founded in 1978 as "an independent, ecumenical institution for advanced theological research," with a special interest in promoting interdisciplinary theological research and writing. Jim's project was entitled "When Law and Civil Institutions are Just: Keeping Pacifist Thinking Honest," a twist on John H. Yoders' 1984 book, "When War is Unjust: Being Honest in Just-war Thinking."



James Reimer

In an excerpt from a letter, Jim tells of his visit to Croatia during his sabbatical.

May 8, 2002

I have just returned from a two-week trip to Croatia. I spent the first week in Dubrovnik, a fine medieval city on the Adriatic coast, which has an internationally supported Inter-University Centre of Postgraduate Studies (IUC). Here, short courses are offered in a variety of disciplines and topics, including: The Future of Religion, in which I presented a paper entitled: "Constantine: From Religious Pluralism to Christian Hegemony."

I first went to the former Yugoslavia for a month in 1977, and have since been back seven or eight times. Over the years I have developed many friends. On Monday I had lunch with Ivica Mastruko, now Advisor to the President of Croatia in Church-State relations. We reflected on the war years and on the implications of former President Tudjman's agreement with the Vatican, which in effect gives Roman Catholicism a monopoly on public religious education in Croatia.

I visited Vukovar guided by Peter Kuzmic, the Director of the Evangelical Theological Seminary in Osijek (brother-in-law to Yale theologian Miroslav Volf) and a Dr. Lauc, Professor of Economics at the University of Osijek. They had arranged for me to meet with three people, each representing different attempts to foster reconciliation in postwar Vukovar territory. One was a well-known sculptor Ivan Matkovic-Lasta, who led his fellow villagers in a three-month long armed resistance to Serb forces before finally having to flee for their lives. After the war he became an artist, seeking transformation through his sculpting, most of it on religious themes. Another was Prof. Dr. Ljiljana Gehrecke, President of Europahaus Vukovar who seeks to transform individuals' trauma, fear and hatred into serenity, peace and love through various forms of bio- and psychotherapy.

Finally, we spent a few hours talking to Ivan Vrkcic, a longtime political figure from the time of Tito, and then under Tudjman, who was the key figure to manage the unthinkable- the reintegration of Serbs and Croats in the Vukovar area between the years 1996 and 1998. He did this through ingenious shuttle diplomacy and developing of trust between the two factions, a great sense of humour, with the support of the Tudjman government and under the protection of the UN and General Klein.

My primary purpose for the visit to Osijek was to give two lectures at the Protestant Seminary: the first on "The Legacy of Constantine for Law and Minority Religious communities": the second on "Biblical and Theological Reflections on War and Peace." Both are components of my Princeton research project on a "Theology of Law and Civil Institutions." The moving experience of my visit to Vukovar and the three alternative approaches to peace and reconciliation highlighted for me the need for Christians to explore many different alternatives to dealing with situations of conflict in our violent world. We do not have the luxury to withdraw into our own communally safe comfort zones, nor dare we compromise our witness by furthering the Constantinian identification of "cross" and "sword." How do we manage a sober analysis of social-political realities, a clear-headed engagement with the world on behalf of those who suffer "innocently," as a form of fidelity to the Christian gospel? This is the challenge.

Construction News

As the winter wears on, construction at Grebel has continued - through wind, rain, sleet, snow, and -20°C weather! Visitors to campus quickly see how much Grebel has changed. The 3 storeys of cement block apartment perched on the hill make an initial impact, and then there are detours everywhere so a walk that used to take 20 seconds now takes 5 minutes. The glass atrium is beginning to take shape as giant red steel beams stick straight out of the ground. The addition to the residence building has only just begun with a large hole where the north parking lot used to be. For more construction news, visit the Grebel website, grebel.uwaterloo.ca/construction, for weekly progress, architectural drawings, a time line, and a photo gallery.



Off to Sunny California

With feelings of joy and sadness, the Conrad Grebel community marked John E. Toews' retirement as President with a well attended reception on December 18th, 2002. As President from 1996-2002, John's contributions greatly impacted the college's well-being. His direction brought vision and stability to the daily management of the college, as he worked with leadership of the Board of Governors. His insight and fairness enabled him to address important issues, resulting in a clear mission for the school. Most notably, John's fund-raising prowess brought Conrad Grebel out of debt and into a position to expand.



John E. Toews and Carolyn Sherk

During her speech, Carolyn Sherk, Board Chair, said "Twenty-five years ago, the Board of the day had intended that the administration building would be linked to the residence building. Unfortunately the project ran out of funds and until now, the linkage has been only a dream. John made that dream come true. By next fall, the academic and residence programs of this college will be physically linked and we will have more public space for the college community. Thanks to John's tireless efforts (right into December) and the generosity of our donors, the fund-raising campaign has been successful. The college will not be in debt to pay for the building of the atrium."

To express gratitude to John for this achievement, and as an ongoing reminder of his tremendous contributions to Conrad Grebel University College, Carolyn announced that the four-storey glass atrium will be named the "John E. Toews Atrium."

Conrad Grebel will miss John Toews and wishes him all the best in California as he continues his research projects, including a commentary on Romans for the Believers Church Commentary Series.

A Mennonite Writer's Mecca

By: Nate Gundy, 4th year English Student

From October 24-27, 2002, a group of fifteen students from Conrad Grebel University College attended "Mennonite/s Writing: An International Conference," held at Goshen College. As I thought about what to write concerning my experience there, the first thing that came to mind is that it was the first time in my life when I felt like a quasi-celebrity, entirely due to the fact that my father, Jeff Gundy, was one of the writers featured at the conference. Being the son of a well-known poet (in Mennonite literary circles) was quite exciting at a conference which featured renowned Canadian writers such as Rudy Wiebe, Patrick Friesen, and various American writers such as Julia Kasdorf and Dallas Wiebe. My fellow Grebelites and I had opportunities to meet and chat with many of the writers present. This allowed the writers, whose work we read in Mennonite Literature classes and elsewhere, to come to life.

The conference had a very regimented structure, varying among plenary sessions where the many authors performed readings, and smaller concurrent sessions, where we were able to choose between a variety of seminars, panel discussions, and readings. From Thursday night through Sunday morning, we attended sessions, all showing excellent examples of Mennonite intellectual and creative work. Perhaps the most rewarding session I attended was the student session, where university students from various schools read their work. The only Grebel-related person to read was Jan Braun, who read a few great poems for the crowd of mostly other students. The best part of that session was that I realized all of the amazing literature I was surrounded with was not a magical, unattainable dream. The more established authors had gone through a development process, just like I, as an aspiring author, was going through now. The session helped me to realize that reaching one's potential in writing can and should take years after formal education stops. It is not an instant ascent, but a gradual progression.

At various times during the conference, we took time out to go for walks or just to think. This personal time away from the sessions gave me time to think about the many wonderful ideas and stories presented to us throughout the conference and to write down my own thoughts.

Financial support from the Marpeck Fund enabled Mennonite students from across North America to attend this conference. Having gone to one conference, I sincerely hope that more will occur, because it was a very inspiring experience for me and all of my fellow Grebelites.



Nate Gundy and Jessica Witmer

People

Scott Brubaker-Zehr ('85), currently a pastor at Rockway Mennonite Church, will be travelling to Colombia on a Christian Peacemaker Team Delegation from Feb. 15- March 7th, 2003. The delegation will meet with human rights workers and church leaders and will travel to a region where displaced people are threatened by armed groups. Scott and **Mary ('85)** worked with the Mennonite church in Colombia from 1991-1994.



Brent Neufeld ('95) was married to **Marla Prichard** on August 24, 2002 in Calgary, Alberta. They will continue to reside in Calgary and welcome friends to visit when they are in the area. They look forward to reconnecting with those they may have lost touch with. Contact email: drneufeld@canada.com

Since graduation, **Louise Wideman ('85)** has completed a 2 year Voluntary Service assignment in Mississippi, graduated with an M. Div from Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary, and recently completed 8 years as one of the pastors at Whitestone Mennonite Church in Hesston, KS. She has just moved to Bluffton, Ohio to begin as associate pastor for congregational life at First Mennonite Church.



Ingrid Kopp Magill ('91) and **Renny Magill** welcomed **Claire Elizabeth** into their family in April 2002. She joins big brother **Liam** at their home in Akron, PA. Ingrid works as a home hospice social worker for Hospice of Lancaster County (www.hospiceoflanaster.org), while Renny is Director of Development for Lancaster Farmland Trust (www.savelancasterfarms.org).



Lynne Dueck ('94) and **Rich Goodwin** were married on November 2, 2002 in Winnipeg. Lynne is currently working for Great-West Life as a Project Management Control Analyst and Rich is a consultant with Sierra Systems.



Ruth Anne (Nigh) Engle ('93) and her husband **Phil** are thrilled to announce the birth of their baby girl, **Meredith Sarah Anne**. She was born May 24, 2002 at Harrisburg Hospital in Harrisburg, PA. She's a very happy baby and Ruth Anne is loving her new role as stay-at-home mom. She'd love to hear from friends at Ruthie@Engle-Nigh.com

Ken Stevens, ('89) sent this update: "Our third son **Joshua Martin** joined us in June 2002. He joins **Conrad Moise** (born 1997) and **Henry Walter** (2000). All three of our children's names were influenced by Conrad Grebel. Conrad obviously after the college, Henry after Henry Pauls, father of Steffen Pauls, and Martin which is the most common last name among St. Jacob's Mennonites. These days I'm Director of Application Development at Bell Globemedia, responsible for the globeandmail.com, CTV, and TSN web sites. My wife **Irina** manages "Value-at-Risk" (heavy math stuff) for the Bank of Montreal. Last year I co-directed a consulting firm with **Brent Klassen ('90)** called "BKS". And before that, I helped start up a couple of companies during the dotcom craze."

Yvonne Kaethler ('94) married **Jean-Thierry Nkulikiyumukiza** in May 2001. They were very pleased about the arrival of their daughter, **Maya Selena Kaekiza**, on May 25th, 2002.



Yvonne is now working as a family physician up north in Espanola, ON.

Carol Ann Weaver, Grebel Music Prof., was on The Life Network's show, Trading Places. It is a reality show of sorts, where two families trade homes, jobs, schools, hobbies - even friends and relatives. Cameras capture the emotions, surprises, challenges, and triumphs as families walk in each other's footsteps for three exciting days. One of the participants had a music class with Carol Ann, so they featured footage of her class, a Grebel hallway, and Carol Ann's home and family as the student picked up an assignment and received a quick lesson. Carol Anne even managed to promote one of her CDs!

ALL CONRAD GREBEL ALUMNI are invited to submit info about address and vocational changes, general updates, information about births, marriages, or deaths for inclusion in People. Please send: your **name, year graduated, address, email, photo, and news**, to Jennifer Konkle, Conrad Grebel University College, Waterloo, ON N2L3G6 or jkonkle@uwaterloo.ca

The first 3 people to submit their news will receive the Chapel Choir's newest CD, *Mysterium*, for FREE!

Justin Meggitt (MTS'91) is now a College Lecturer in Theology and Religious Studies at Corpus Christi College, Cambridge University, UK.



Grebel: The Next Generation. **Hannah & Sara Chappell-Dick**, daughters of **Wendy Chappell ('90) & Andy Dick**; **Naomi Manning Frazer**, daughter of **Catherine Manning ('91) & Garth Frazer ('92)**; **Ezra Greenwood**, son of **Clara Fraschetti ('90) & Tim Greenwood**; **Rebecca Hiller Ranney**, daughter of **Chris Hiller ('91) & Kevin Ranney ('87)**.

Matthew Bailey-Dick ('00) is currently studying in the Masters of Peace Studies program at Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary. He is husband to **Nina Bailey-Dick ('00)** and father to **Foster** (age 8 months). Matthew joined the Christian Peacemaker Teams (CPT) delegation to Iraq from February 1-15. Its mandate is to visit schools and hospitals, to listen to people's stories about the effects of the sanctions, and to meet with government representatives and non-government agencies. Matthew said "We need to spread the word about what's going on there, about the effects of the Gulf War and the economic sanctions. We need to see this delegation as part of the worldwide movement to stop war and promote nonviolent alternatives."



Aidan Morton Ninomiya was born January 25, 2003 to **Melody ('97)** and **Scott Morton Ninomiya ('97)** (and big sister **Maya**) who are serving with MCC in St. John's, Newfoundland. All are healthy and they

are very thankful that he waited for the end of one of the worst snowstorms of the winter!

On January 20, 2003, **Rob Neufeld ('88)** and **Trish Marriot** had a son, **Jacob Alexander Marriott Neufeld**. **Ben**, 2 1/2 years old, is excited to have a little brother!

Owen Laverty Sararus was born to **Dave and Juanita Laverty Sararus ('98)** on October 4, 2002. Owen's hobbies include blowing bubbles and grabbing his feet. Dave and Juanita live in Kitchener and are both studying part-time in the MTS program at Grebel. Juanita is on maternity leave from Community Justice Initiatives.



Matthew ('01) and Meredith (Silcox) Ballaban ('01) welcomed **Avery Charlotte** into their family on January 24th, 2003. Avery is the first girl to be born into the Ballaban family in 5 generations!

The Mennonite Artists – an art collective of Conrad Grebel alumni: **Karim Awad ('00)**, **Paul Janzen ('94)**, **David Lobe ('00)** and **Matthew Tiessen ('00)** – are exhibiting their second group show at the Walper Terrace Hotel Art Gallery, March 1-31.

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Celebrating our College Community since 1963
August 22-24 2003

The Event of the Year!

Any person who has ever been involved with Grebel is invited to help celebrate our 40th Anniversary!

Your Alumni Exec. is: Barbara Burkholder ('88), Gordon Hayward ('74), Dr. Richard Kennel ('77), Lisa Shantz ('96), Marcus Shantz ('95) - Chair, Carolyn Snider ('69), Colin Wiebe ('01), Jennie Wiebe ('99), Fred W. Martin ('87) – Director of Development.

Official registration packages will be sent with the spring issue of Grebel Now. Be sure to keep August 22-24, 2003 clear for an event that promises to be the biggest and best reunion ever!

More details on the back page!



Walter Klaassen, (pictured here in '81) was chaplain and professor from 1964-1984. He will be the keynote speaker for the 40th Anniversary Reunion.



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**Calendar
of Events**

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featuring Rudy
Wiebe at 7:00 p.m.
in the Great Hall

April 13
Convocation

August 22-24
Grebel 40th
Anniversary
Reunion



**Grebel's 40th Anniversary Reunion
August 22-24, 2003**

In celebration of Conrad Grebel's 40th Anniversary, we are inviting ALL ALUMNI to come back to Grebel on August 22-24, 2003. This weekend-long event will be an affair for the whole family, so plan to be here for the entire weekend. The Grebel residence will be available for Friday/Saturday rentals.

2003 ALUMNI WEEKEND SCHEDULE

FRIDAY August 22

Chapel Choir Rehearsal 7:00 p.m.
Kids Activities - 7:00 p.m.
President's Reception and Program - 8:00 p.m.
- reconnect with other alumni, faculty, and staff
(past and present)

*Recreate residence life!
Book a Grebel room for the
weekend!*

SATURDAY August 23

Chapel Choir Rehearsal - 10:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.
Free time!
Supper - 5:00 p.m. - BBQ chicken, salads, and more.
Grebelfolk - The ultimate evening of Grebel Music, with music and talent spanning the years. We're looking forward to an evening of the kind of music you remember from retreats, chapels, commie suppers, coffee houses, stairwells...Special guests include **Brian Rudy** ('89), **Cate Falconer Lichty** ('83), and **Sharon (Dick) Johnston** ('80)

*Fun for the
Whole Family*



SUNDAY August 24

Choir Practice - 1:00 p.m.
Celebration Service - 2:30 - join the Alumni
Chapel Choir at Waterloo North Mennonite
Church, with speaker **Walter Klaassen**

*See the new
facilities!*

*Estimated cost will be \$20 per person for the
weekend, and \$50 a night per double room*

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