MURDOCK GRANT TO FUND NEW RESEARCH PROGRAM

NU CELEBRATES OUR 79TH COMMENCEMENT

TWO NU ALUMNI TURNED ENTREPRENEURS
Whenever people ask me about my favorite Bible verse, I always answer Romans 12:1, often surprising them. Shouldn’t my favorite verse be John 3:16 or Romans 5:8 (“while we were yet sinners”), or some other verse that describes the depth of God’s love for us? I confess that nothing can compare with the greatness of God’s love, and without it, we would all be lost. I thank God for redemption from sin and restoration to relationship with Him above all other things. But when it comes to Bible verses, Romans 12:1 ranks right at the top: “I urge you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable worship service.” (my translation)

On one hand, the verse presents awesome Greek concepts like soma and logike latreia. Soma should be translated, “the body, and all that is done within it.” Paul charges us to present our bodies—and all we do with them—to God as a living sacrifice. That includes our work, no matter what our vocation; our pleasures, such as eating and walking and playing; our creative work, such as sports and arts; our social lives, such as family, friendship, citizenship, and market interactions—everything we do from the most intimate to the most public. It means that our whole life falls under the sacred canopy of our relationship with God.

Paul invokes the vocabulary of worship as the end of our bodily activities. We live as sacrifices, turning the whole world into the altar of our devotion. And all of it constitutes a latreia logike. Latreia means “worship service”—the same concept we refer to when announcing the “Sunday morning services at 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.”

The adjective logikos adds a further dimension. Paul indicates the “logical” nature of such worship, although he means more than just the fact that it “makes sense” to offer ourselves as such a sacrifice. The meaning of the word logikos shines in a statement by one of Paul’s contemporaries, Epictetus (c. 35-135 AD), the Stoic philosopher:

Were I a nightingale, I would act the part of a nightingale; were I a swan, the part of a swan; but since I am logikos,

it is my duty to praise God. This is my business, I do it; nor will I ever desert this post, so long as it is permitted me; and I call on you to join me in the same song.

Like Epictetus, Paul understood that just like swans have to swim and nightingales have to sing, the essential human activity is worship. In all of our embodied existence, we exist for the praise of God. For that very purpose, God gave us reason.

Christian universities exist to train the hearts, heads, and hands of men and women for worship. The stories in this issue of Northwest Passages will highlight the ways that “we, the people of Northwest University” are carrying the call of God to offer our whole embodied lives in reasonable service through business, science, scholarship, and campus life. Rejoice with us, and as Epictetus said, “join us in the same song.”
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When Northwest University biology professor Tracie Delgado joined the faculty in 2011, one of her dreams was to create a research program to give undergraduate students opportunities to engage in hands-on original research. Thanks to a $79,000 scientific research grant, Tracie and a team of undergraduate students will begin research in August to understand how viruses cause cancer, ultimately enabling scientists to create more effective anti-viral therapies.

“It is estimated that 20 percent of cancers are caused by viruses,” explained Tracie. “Murine Herpesvirus 68 (MHV-68), which induces B-cell lymphomas in mice, is biologically related to a few cancer-causing human herpesviruses and can therefore be used as a model system to understand how viruses cause cancer.”

Tracie’s interest in viruses began as an undergraduate student at the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA), majoring in microbiology, immunology, and molecular genetics. During a summer internship at Harvard between her junior and senior year, she studied herpesvirus, which later became the focus of her thesis as a Ph.D. student at the University of Washington.

“I became very fascinated with viruses because they are non-living and very small, but cause great disease,” Tracie said. “Viruses are obligate intracellular parasites and, therefore, rely on infecting host cells to replicate and make more viruses. While at UCLA, I also did cancer research and I was very passionate about understanding the mechanisms that cause cancer.”

The three-year grant from the M.J. Murdock Charitable Trust and the NU Foundation is vital in helping Tracie and the NU science faculty move forward in creating the undergraduate research program. A previously awarded grant paid for advanced equipment for classroom and research purposes, which was the first phase of starting the research program.

The latest grant—the first scientific research grant received at NU—will be spent primarily on research supplies and equipment. The funds will also provide a $4,000 stipend to one undergraduate student per summer to help Tracie with research.

In conjunction with the research program, Tracie and other science faculty will launch the Pathways to Undergraduate Research Excellence (PURE) Scholars program in the fall for students seeking mentorship and hands-on research experience. Students will undergo an extensive application and interview process, and will receive opportunities to develop their leadership skills in the lab and by organizing science outreach events for high school students from disadvantaged backgrounds.

See Tracie’s TEDxKirkland talk on “The Future of Viral Therapy” by visiting nupassages.com/tedx.
It was a beautiful day for commencement. Skies were blue and spirits were high as Northwest University’s class of 2015 celebrated their persistence and hard work at Overlake Christian Church in Redmond. A near-capacity crowd filled the auditorium. One by one, students made their way across the stage, beaming, while family and friends cheered them on. When the celebration was over, newly minted graduates hugged and snapped selfies, enjoying one last moment together as NU’s class of 2015. Soon, the words of commencement speaker Jodi Detrick would resonate with greater meaning and truth: This is not the end, but a new beginning.
The 5th Annual Hall of Fame Benefit in March was a great evening of dining, bidding, catching up with friends, and raising money for NU student athletes. Guest speaker and All-Pro quarterback, Matt Hasselbeck, kept guests entertained with stories about his life as a Seahawks player who lived just one block from campus. Hall of Fame inductees Shelly (Schu) Beach and Bryan Chud graciously accepted their honors by remembering all those who helped along the way. If you were unable to attend, we’ve posted photos from the event on our flickr page: nupassages.com/hof.

**HASSELBECK COMES BACK**

**HALL OF FAME BY THE NUMBERS:**

- Guests in Attendance: 350+
- Number of Silent Auction Items: 108
- Number of Live Auction Items: 14
- Amount Raised: $120,000
- Student Athletes at NU: 167
- Number of Guests Who Had A Great Time: 350+
SOFTBALL
The Eagle softball team completed their most successful season since becoming a collegiate sport, winning thirteen games this season under the guidance of first-year head coach Mallory Tacdol. The team showed improvement on both the offensive and defensive sides, breaking many school records in the process. On offense, the Eagles showed much more power at the plate hitting 35 home runs compared to just seven in the 2014 season. The team had a .240 batting average, an improvement over their average of .212 in 2014. The Eagles defense and pitching also made big strides this year. Katelyn Riedinger earned honorable mention All-Cascade Conference honors and was also a Gold Glove recipient for her defense at third base.

TRACK AND FIELD
The track and field team established numerous school records and personal bests during the 2015 outdoor season. One of the highlights of the season was junior Jonathan Ferguson winning the men’s 1500m and 800m on consecutive weekends and qualifying for the NAIA nationals in the 1500m. His 3:54.82 in the 1500 was the second best time in NU history. The women’s 4x800 relay team also qualified for the NAIA nationals as they ran a national qualifying time of 9:30.71 at the Pacific Twilight meet in Oregon. Michelle Perez bettered the NU record in the 100m hurdles and Alexa Lindseth shattered the school record in the shot put by over a foot at the CCC Championships in Ashland, Oregon.

ACADEMICS
Academically, 18 spring athletes in softball and track and field earned Academic All-CCC honors, an all-time high for the spring season.
OUT AND ABOUT at DISTRICT COUNCIL

District Council is the coming together of ministry leaders of the Assemblies of God network for business, inspiration, motivation, and encouragement. There are nine specific districts supporting Northwest University. There are 67 districts and close to 13,000 churches nationwide. A small army of NU faculty, staff, and student leaders traveled to several of the district councils to represent Northwest University. They hosted alumni gatherings, delivered the President’s Report, and gathered in worship with ministry leaders.

If you would like links to the digital copy of the 2015–2016 President’s Report and video message, please email us at passages@northwestu.edu.
FROM EAGLE TO ENTREPRENEUR

John Quick—Northwest University graduate and entrepreneur—has an impressive resume. At age 26, he co-founded four businesses that continue to thrive. Today, he is the COO and co-owner of Seattle Research Labs, a wellness and nutritional supplement company. But when he talks about business, John says a strong faith and a willingness to serve are more essential than profits or growth. “You have to be willing to serve others first … have a generous wallet now,” John said. “Being a successful entrepreneur will not make you become these things; be these things first.” John also attributes his success to his willingness to take risks and fail as a result—both of which are essential to learning and growing.

These values—and his experience as an entrepreneur—are what earned John the title of NU School of Business Alumni of the Year in March 2015. During his time at NU (2002–2005), John volunteered with Young Life and served as vice president of NU’s business club, where he met his wife of 11 years. John is especially grateful for President Dr. Joseph Castleberry’s appreciation for business, and is currently partnering with NU alumnus Jak Moroshan to create an entrepreneur co-op space on the NU campus.

Despite John’s responsibilities as a business owner, he continues to volunteer his time. He serves on the board for Alaska Young Life, coaches church planters, and co-founded an entrepreneur co-op space in Tacoma. “I love non-profits and will always be involved in some way,” John said. “The moment I stop serving and giving is the moment I have given my wife permission to slap me.”

In all he does—whether at work or through volunteering—his actions and priorities reflect his desire to place Christ, his wife, and their three kids ahead of his career. “Follow Jesus,” John said. “Love and serve your family, friends, and others—the rest are just details… [being a follower of Jesus], the lens in which I view and make decisions is different than others… There are not many followers of Jesus in this arena, and there needs to be more.”
Evan Kirkpatrick
Northwest University Alumnus, Class of 2007
During an all-state high school basketball game, Evan Kirkpatrick suffered a knee injury that changed the course of his life. Colleges that had sent recruitment letters began withdrawing their offers—except for Northwest University.

Between 2002 and 2007, Evan attended NU and studied business and youth ministry. He describes those years as a time “to make mistakes, to have information and mentors readily available, to get in tune spiritually, and prepare for the future,” he said. “The professors’ high level of intellect changed my mind about who Christians were, and they reminded me that we are called to be excellent in our given professions.”

Evan played basketball for NU for two years despite his earlier injury. When he sustained another injury, Evan admitted that his basketball career was over. Without sports in his future, Evan took counsel from NU Professor John Mohan to develop a career in business and begin thinking like an entrepreneur.

At age 26, Evan opened his own firm, Wendell Charles Financial. He moved to Los Angeles in 2011 to open a new branch, and has consulted top entertainment management and agencies on investment decisions. He currently works almost exclusively with individuals as a financial planner.

The hard work has paid off. YFS Magazine named Evan as one of the “10 Los Angeles Entrepreneurs to Watch,” and he is also on the Empact 100 list of influential young entrepreneurs. But Evan is quick to attribute his success to God and emphasizes that wealth does not equal personal satisfaction. “Peace only comes from God when you have been faithful to the calling you have received,” Evan said.

When sharing advice with young entrepreneurs, Evan encourages them to use their success to support worthy causes. A portion of his firm’s profits go toward a charitable fund that Evan started and plans to give to NU—something he encourages other alumni to do. He also promotes charities and social impact businesses through his column for Forbes on capitalist philanthropy, investments, and the Los Angeles startup scene. Writing articles enables him to inspire people worldwide and to engage in something that deviates from his daily business operations.

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“I’ve worked incredibly hard, but the primary component is that God has opened doors that I truly never imagined would be possible,” Evan said. “I’ve tried to be open and willing to follow the path that God has made for me.”
This year, Northwest University Debate traveled to 14 regional and national tournaments and hosted four public debates, winning more than 27 awards. The standout team of John Swayne and team captain Marlene Pierce excelled to the final round four times while beating some of the top teams in the nation en route. Marlene Pierce, won 15 awards herself and helps train and mentor younger debaters on the team.

Not only does NU Debate consistently perform well at tournaments, but the team is also well-respected by other members of the debate community. They often work with local universities like Seattle University and Pacific Lutheran University to prepare for national tournaments. In addition, they actively engage other teams outside of the rounds and build strong and lasting friendships.

Next year, Marlene and John return for their senior year with their hearts set on breaking at the United States Universities Debating Championship (USUDC) in April 2016 and winning at least one first place trophy at a regional tournament. In addition to their normal travel schedule, NU Debate secured a spot for the World Universities Debating Championship (WUDC), where over 400 teams from around the world come together for nearly a week of debate. This year the tournament will be held in Thessaloniki, Greece. Professor Jacob Witt will travel with John and Marlene over the Christmas holiday to attend the event.
NEWS AT NU

2015 Pursuit Conference Inspires Students (above left)

NU’s annual Pursuit Conference was held on campus in early February. Northwest Ministry Network District Youth Director Tyler Sollie kicked off the three-day event on Feb. 9 with a powerful message about thirsting for God. Krist Wilde, lead pastor at Capital Christian Center in Idaho, also spoke at the conference, inspiring students to seek out their God-given potential and lead lives of gratitude.

Screaming Eagles Week 2015 Makes NU History (above right)

NU’s annual Screaming Eagles Week (SEW), a longstanding tradition featuring friendly competitions between campus residential areas, made history this year when the FOA team (made up of FIRS, off-campus, and apartment residents) won the overall competition—a first-time occurrence in the history of SEW. Teams competed in a dodgeball tournament, intramural basketball games, floor Olympics, a music video parody film festival, and a floor decorating competition. The week’s theme was “Plays and Musicals,” and the teams decorated their residence halls to match with motifs inspired by “Mary Poppins,” “The Lion King,” “Annie,” and other musicals.
NU Hosts Symposium on the Theology of Marriage

More than 100 regional pastors and church leaders joined the NU community for a symposium titled “Theology of Marriage and Family, Male and Female.” The event addressed how the church should respond to the shifting view of marriage in our culture. Guest speakers included Glenn Stanton, director of Family Formation Studies at Focus on the Family and author of the book “Loving My LGBT Neighbor,” as well as local pastors Jim Hayford and Scott Dudley.

Money Magazine Ranks Kirkland as #5 Best Place to Live in America (above)

This fall, Money Magazine confirmed what the Northwest University community has known for decades: Kirkland is one of the best places to live in America. Money Magazine’s list of the “Best Places to Live 2014” ranked the 50 best small cities in America, taking into consideration jobs, economies, affordable homes, school systems, and more. Just a few factors that put Kirkland near the top of the list include wonderful waterfront public parks, a growing job market, and a great school system.

Sales Education Foundation features Northwest University on “Top Universities for Professional Sales Education” List for 2015

The Sales Education Foundation (SEF) recognized NU’s business programs for excellence in preparing students for careers in professional selling and helping to elevate the sales profession. SEF released the list of top universities in its 2015 annual magazine.
STUNNING VIEWS ARE PAR FOR THIS COURSE.

2015 Men’s Basketball Golf Tournament at Snoqualmie Ridge.

Northwest University Athletics invites you to “tee it up” for the Eagles at the 2015 Men’s Basketball Golf Tournament. The tournament will be a four-person scramble and includes closest to the pin and longest drive contests. Your sponsorship not only helps cover the expenses for the event, but will aid NU Eagle men’s basketball, providing resources and equipment for Eagle student athletes. We appreciate your kindness and generosity in helping our students succeed in their college experience!

MONDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2015
TPC SNOQUALMIE RIDGE
7:00 a.m. Registration
8:00 a.m. Shotgun Start Four-Person Scramble

REGISTRATION
www.northwestu.edu/tournament

QUESTIONS
For questions or more information on sponsoring, please contact John Van Dyke at 425.889.5275 or john.vandyke@northwestu.edu.
Northwest University will be launching an entrepreneur co-op space at our 6710 building. The space, called the 425 Collective, will be an environment for innovative people to create, connect, and cultivate. The goal is to foster a diverse community that produces premier leaders and companies that influence our community and world. There will be three types of businesses in the space: started businesses, start-ups, and consultants.

To help bring the 425 Collective to life, Northwest University has partnered with fellow Alumna John Quick and Jak Moroshan, founders of We Are Guild, an entrepreneur co-op space in Tacoma.

Underlying the 425 Collective are the values of community, creativity, and cultivation. As a result, we will be developing intentional and organic communal and educational events and workshops to foster growth and connection within the space. We believe that when a group of creatives and entrepreneurs are in one space, the result is a spark of creativity, learning, and growth. Iron always sharpens iron.

The 425 Collective will also have a few select Northwest business students in the space to help them grow, learn, and connect with mentors. The 425 Collective will launch in the fall of 2015. You can follow its progress on instagram @425collective.

If you are interested in renting space or would like to learn more, contact Teresa Gillespie at teresa.gillespie@northwestu.edu.

FALL & WINTER EVENTS

SEPTEMBER 1
Women's Volleyball Home Opener vs. Pacific University
7:00 p.m. at Northwest Pavilion

SEPTEMBER 12
Women's Soccer Home Opener vs. Trinitry Lutheran College
4:00 p.m. at NU Soccer Field

OCTOBER 9
President’s Banquet
7:00 p.m. in Bellevue, Wash.

OCTOBER 9
Men's Soccer Home Opener vs. Oregon Institute of Technology
12:00 p.m. at NU Soccer Field

NOVEMBER 6–7
& 13–14
Fall Drama Production
7:30 p.m. at Millard Hall

DECEMBER 8
Christmas Traditions Concert
7:30 p.m. at Benaroya Hall

For updates, visit the calendar page at www.northwestu.edu/calendar.
For Northwest University alums Gene and Mary Casper ('67/'68), investing in young people has always been a God-given passion and mission. But creating a significant scholarship endowment to help students come to Northwest University did not even seem like a remote possibility for a couple with a lifelong call to ministry.

Today, Gene and Mary have established a scholarship endowment for NU students—the Casper-Raybuck Scholarship—with a current corpus of $53,000 and a goal of reaching $100,000. How did they do it as people without significant financial wealth? They’ve built it year after year, a little at a time. Why did they do it? That’s the real story.

Like many of our alums, Gene and Mary met at Northwest University. Mary was a transfer student, and Gene knew she was the one at first sight! Both were involved in university choirs, and both had a heart for ministry. Gene earned a bachelor’s degree in theology and missions and graduated in 1967. Having traveled with a Northwest University PR team during the summer of 1967, he returned for a fifth year while Mary earned her associate degree in what we would now likely call Christian education. They married with a love for God and each other, a heart for family, and a call to ministry.

Since then, they have served in just about every capacity possible in their church (for 47 years now), yet they did it as lay-ministers. The public speaking part of preaching was just not Gene’s strength, so he took a job with United Parcel Service (UPS) and remained there for the entirety of his career, more than 42 years.

Inspired by a prophecy about being involved with young people and a heart to send students to the Master’s Commission program in Assembly of God churches, Gene and Mary dreamed of helping train up the next generation of Christian leaders. That was the genesis of their idea and commitment. In 2000, while their son, Andrew, was earning his youth ministries degree at Northwest and their daughter-in-law, Cindy, was working in development, the two of them approached Gene and Mary with the idea of supporting students at Northwest by establishing an endowment.

To help them get started and build their endowment, they set an annual goal of $2,500. Gene’s employer, UPS, offered corporate gift matching, so the Caspers were able to fund their endowment and double their personal giving at the same time. In 2009, UPS stopped its gift-matching program, yet the Caspers remained committed to building and growing their endowment over time, with a goal of reaching $100,000 over the next 13 to 15 years.

Since establishing the endowment in 2000, 20 students have been helped substantially by the Casper’s commitment to training up the next generation of Christian leaders. Their endowment has both helped bring students to NU and kept students at NU to complete their education and training. Every one of those students has gone on to make a difference in the world!

According to Gene and Mary, “Some things in life you know you don’t have to pray about; you just do it.” Thank you, Gene and Mary, for your commitment to training up students with a Christ-centered education and for your obedience to fulfill the calling God placed on your hearts, even when it did not seem like a financial possibility. And thank you for trusting Northwest University as the place for your investment, which is both changing students’ lives now and making an eternal impact.
Staff and Faculty Updates

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- Plan B (Poem), Floating Bridge Review, October 2014.
1980s

Jill Hall (’80) Immediately after attending Northwest, Jill was licensed to preach with the NW district, but has now decided to get ordained. Jill has had the privilege to serve the Lord as a single youth pastor, a pastor’s wife, and a world missionary, in the former Soviet Union. Jill and her husband have two brilliant children, both married to fabulous spouses. They all love living life the way God intended, following Christ. They also have three gorgeous granddaughters!

Leslie Engelson’s (’85) ebook, “Subdivisions for Biblical Studies, Theology, and Ministry” was just published by the American Theological Libraries Association. Leslie is an assistant professor at Murray State University where she serves as the Metadata Librarian and teaches an online course in their Library Media Specialist program. She's excited that ATLA is making this ebook available for free so that all Christian universities and seminaries, as well as their students, can benefit from it.
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William Mathews (’88) is anticipating applying at NU for the Master of Arts in Counseling Psychology program.
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1990s

Jimmy McPherson (’97) was ordained as a minister in the Presbyterian Church (USA) in December 2014 and began serving as Associate Pastor of Youth at Noroton Presbyterian Church in Darien, Connecticut that same month.
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Phil Weber (’99) works at Pushpay in Redmond, Wash. Pushpay serves churches with a mobile app designed to make giving simple and easy in 10 seconds. Pushpay’s giving solutions (Online, App, Text Engagement, and Kiosk) integrate easily with any size church website or church app. He currently attends a local church where he is involved leading and serving.
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2000s

Margot Rea (’01) recently moved to Edinburgh, United Kingdom as a Missionary Associate. She served 13 years as an associate pastor and in those 13 years she served eight years as district youth director for the Wyoming District of the AG.
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Ben Sterciuc (’06) and his wife Lia (Dreghiciu, ’14) are both alumni of NU having graduated from the MATC program. Ben and Lia are bivocational AG pastors who planted Elevation Church in Kirkland three years ago. Last year, they launched a non-profit organization called Vital Solutions and are currently building a health clinic for the Maasai tribe in Kenya.

Alex Johnson (’07) completed his Master of Science in Biology from Cal State Northridge in May 2014. He and his wife Stacy (Anderson, ’06) moved to North Dakota in August so he could be the science professor at Trinity Bible College.
Kara Veach (VanZanten, ’07) and her husband Kyle accepted the lead pastor position at Clearview Foursquare Church in December 2013. They were previously at Stanwood Foursquare Church as youth pastors for three and a half years. Kara is the girls varsity volleyball coach at Marysville-Getchell High School and has been coaching there for five years. Kyle is the boys varsity soccer coach at Glacier Peak High School in Snohomish and has been coaching high school soccer locally for five years. Their second son was born in February.

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Macee Whatley (Jones, ’07) and her husband Eli (’13) are still reveling in the fact that they are new parents to a wonderful little boy Ryker Howell Whatley born on December 29, 2014! They are beginning the amazing journey of being church planters in the Mount Vernon area within the next couple years. They are praying for God to do mighty things! Their grandparents Sharon (’13) and Ron Jones and Mimi Whatley are all alums as well! Please join them in prayer!

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Anh Johnson (’10) has the incredible opportunity to be a stay at home wife and mother to two awesome girls. She volunteers as the Women’s Director for Canyon Creek Church in the Everett area.

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Tirza Magdiel (’10) started a new job in November as the associate teens pastor at IES Jakarta. She works at the church with a number of NU alums: John David Kenney (’77), Michael Rody (’92), Daniela (Bramono) Tahitoe, and Rosemarie (’78, ’13) and Waldemar Kowalski (’78).

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Jamicka Edwards (’10) published her first book, “You Matter” in July 2014. She toured from August to October 2014 through Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Georgia, and Missouri. She attended a live taping of The Steve Harvey Show for a special Veteran’s Day taping while in Illinois and had her first live in the studio radio interview on Soul 106.3 in Chicago.

Leanne Konzelman (Stankowiak, ’14) graduated with her husband Drew (’14) from NU with their Masters in Counseling Psychology. Leanne is a Licensed Mental Health Counselor Associate and has since opened her own private practice, Novo Life Counseling, LLC in downtown Redmond. Her general practice areas include working with teens, adults, and couples, and is passionate about helping clients live life to the fullest. To learn more you can visit: www.novolifecounseling.com. Leanne also works at Northwest University in the Development office.

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