

# UCU NEWSLETTER

## 2006-2007 Update

Dear UCU friends and alumni,

With, this, the first annual UCU newsletter, we would like to thank all alumni for their contribution to the house over the past 70 years of our existence. This marks UCU's 70<sup>th</sup> year since established by a group of UW men in 1937 and 100 years since the construction of the Men's House on 16<sup>th</sup> and 47<sup>th</sup>. We appreciate our rich history and hope to continue building on this heritage. We celebrated this landmark at our annual Parents' Banquet held this year in April at the University Presbyterian Church.

This past fall, five new women moved in, and nine new men. Before classes started, we all went to Lakeside Bible Camp on Whidbey Island for our annual house retreat. As always, this started the year off with some good Christian fellowship and bonding. Over the course of the year, the Women's House gained six new members, and the Men's House received three. As the year draws to a close, we regret to see sixteen move out, but are excited to welcome twenty new students in the fall.

This year, we've enjoyed a variety of exciting social events. We hosted a Halloween Dance and Java Night, an informal open mike event. The Men's House competed in their annual Week of Man in February, and the Women's House put on a formal dance on Mercer Island in March. Many UCUsers spent Memorial Day weekend in Marysville at Beach Bash enjoying sailing in the Sound and talking around campfires at night. That Monday, eight members of the Men's House went skydiving.

Sometimes daily life at UCU can be even more entertaining than planned events. Water fights and pranks always keep us on our toes. Studying for finals is often interrupted by screams from the Women's House and chuckles from the Men's House victors. Underlying all this fun is a foundation of fellowship and growth. It's encouraging to walk in on a theological conversation or two girls praying for each other or

a group of guys playing their guitars and singing. These times are testimony to the work of God in our lives and His faithfulness. He helps us grow and mature as a community of men and women who love and follow Christ. We are thankful for His work and for your contribution and support as we look forward to another year of growth and fellowship here at UCU.

Serving Him,

*David Linders and Linnell Pitt*

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UCU House Presidents



### HOUSE MINISTRIES

- Sandwich Ministry - Once or twice a quarter we coordinate a large group of people to hand out sandwiches, socks and water to the homeless people in the University District.
- SMP - Saturday Morning Prayer, we have donuts and take prayer requests together.
- Interhouse - Bible Study/ Discussion time between the two houses once a week about a variety of topics.
- We sponsor a Compassion Child named Josue who lives in Peru and a Hope Child named Khaliso from Lesotho
- Monday night Bible studies and worship times
- Wednesday morning breakfast for the Ballard High School Young Life, which also meets in our living room for group times.



## ALLI TO CELEBRATE 25TH YEAR

For twenty-four years, Allison E. Young (affectionately known as Alli) has been the cook at UCU. This coming year will be her twenty-fifth. Alli has fed generations of UCUers, sometimes even several generations of the same family. Alumni from the house that stop by to visit are often surprised and delighted to learn that Alli is still in the kitchen. All of us, both past and present, thank you, Alli, for your dedication.

## HOUSE PROJECTS

### GIVE BACK TO UCU

A grateful past resident of UCU donated a sum of money a few months ago. The Board decided to make that the inaugural donation to a "Give back to UCU" scholarship fund. These funds will be used to help residents with short-term financial needs. Requests for scholarship help will be considered by the Board's Scholarship Committee. Alumni are invited to contribute to the scholarship fund in the spirit of "Give back to UCU".

### Recent

Last summer, the Men's House stairs and upper floors were re-carpeted, and the Women's House got new doors for all of the rooms. Women's House basement was also recently re-carpeted, an event which was the cause of much rejoicing among UCU residents, past and present alike.

### In-the-Works

This summer, the Men's House will be getting new doors, and the Women's House basement will be getting tile over the cement floor. There has also been quite a bit painting going on in the Women's House in an attempt to brighten up the place. The general consensus seems to be that the attempt has been a success.



## RANDOM STATISTICS

### Current Occupants

21 Men  
18 Women



### Majors

Arts: 5  
Business & Professional: 6  
Economics: 2  
Engineering: 12  
English & Journalism: 2  
Law, Societies, & Justice: 1  
Philosophy & CHID: 2  
Science/Math: 4  
Sociology & Psychology: 4  
Undecided: 5

### UCU Preferences

Favorite dessert: Cherry Goo  
Favorite pastime: Talking  
Favorite lunch: Breakfast  
Midnight snack: French toast

## ALUMNI BOARD

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UCU Alumni are encouraged to get involved again at UCU. The areas of possible contribution are as broad as there are personal talents and gifts. The critical factor is interest: if you are interested, get in touch with one of the Board members.