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Blake and Molly Nordstrom on the historic Husky II coaches' launch which Blake helped restore.

Outgoing Board of Rowing Stewards co-chair, Blake Nordstrom, '82, has made an indelible mark on Washington Rowing. His leadership and support have helped move the program forward in significant ways. From fundraising to mentoring to lending his business acumen, Blake is a true friend of Washington Rowing.

"What's most gratifying for me and my wife and my extended family is to give young people opportunities like

I had," says the co-president of Nordstrom who rowed for UW in the 80's. "This was a really rich and important experience in my life, a chapter I'm very proud of. I feel fortunate that other people made it available and possible for me, and I think others have the opportunity to do that moving forward," Blake says. "Every gift makes an impact."

Thank you, Blake, for your many gifts to Washington Rowing.

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On the cover: The women's varsity 8 powered to a first place finish at this year's Windermere Cup. From left: Liz Vogt, Bella Chilczuk, Dani Olson, Grace Spoors, Phoebe Spoors, Sarah Dougherty, Fiona Gammond, Natasha Gay and Coxswain Marlow Mizer.

Friends,

The 2015-2016 school year is underway and the Husky rowers have returned to the glistening waters of Lake Washington. Our program is coming off its most successful year in recent history, and we couldn't be more proud of our Huskies!

Behind the scenes, the program is enjoying outstanding support from the athletic department, the best coaches in the nation, dedicated alumni involvement, and an organized and effective support structure. Outgoing co-chairs John Kueber and Blake Nordstrom enhanced every aspect of the program. Prioritizing the connection with our Washington Rowing family, huge strides were made in engaging rowing alums. We plan to build on this as we focus on increasing class participation and connecting better with our women alumnae.

Looking ahead, the competitive landscape continues to evolve. The target on the men's program has never been bigger and women's rowing has grown to 89 Division I programs. The NCAA recently approved "cost-of-attendance" scholarships which will allow schools to cover expenses beyond the traditional items of tuition and room and board. Athletic budgets were trimmed this year to defray the expenses brought on by the new measure and continued tightening is imminent with rising costs in the competitive landscape.

Your support is vital to the team's continued success. We need everyone's contribution to continue our amazing legacy. There are many ways to contribute to the program: show up and cheer for the team on race days; attend the VBC Banquet with classmates; follow @uwhuskycrew on Twitter; volunteer at an event; or make a donation of any



amount.

Since the 2011-12 season, the number of donors to Washington Rowing has increased from 423 to 585. If you were among the 585, thank you! If not, please consider helping us reach our goal of 1,000 donors by making your gift today.

Donations of any size enable our coaches to stay focused on being the very best collegiate rowing program in the world. We cannot overstate how important these gifts are to maintaining our competitive edge, and how much the team appreciates your continued generosity.

The Board of Rowing Stewards remains committed to the program's excellence both on and off the water. If you have any questions or suggestions or would like to get more involved, we want to hear from you. Jane's email is jpowers@ewingandclark.com and Trevor's is trevor@vernonpublications.com. Thank you so much for your support and enthusiasm.

GO HUSKIES!



Jane Powers



Trevor Vernon



Sincerely,

Co-chairs
Washington Rowing Board of Stewards



A Year in Review

This year, Washington Rowing achieved incredible success across the whole program. The women had their best finish in several years at the NCAA Championships with a fourth place trophy while the men won the fifth consecutive gold medal in the Varsity Eight at the IRA and ninth consecutive Ten Eyck Trophy for overall team points.

Our student-athletes saw equal if not better success in the classroom. Between the men's and women's teams, we had 61 students on the Dean's List, which is earned by achieving a 3.5 grade point average towards their degree. Combined we had 29 students named first or second All Pac-12 Academic Award winners. The women had seven National Scholar Athletes and an all-America academic award, while the men had 14 IRA All-Academic award winners. The men's crew won the large team GPA award for all UW Athletics during the championship season. Aleksander Malowany won the all-department student-athlete scholar award and a scholarship for his graduate school studies. We also had 17 seniors graduate from the program.

Our alumni and current student-athletes also had continued success at the international level—winning medals at the World Championships, World University Games, Under-23 World Championships and the Henley Royal Regatta. More Huskies represented the USA than any other university in 2015. These athletes are continuing the tradition of Washington Rowing fostering high achievement and excellence.

Thanks to your generosity the annual fund goal of \$250,000 was surpassed with donations totaling \$263,000. On top of that you gave an additional \$100,000 for the trip to Henley, \$382,000 towards equipment needs and continued to invest in endowments. You made it possible for the men and women of Washington Rowing to succeed in the classroom and on the water.

Donations also facilitated a state-of-the-art video streaming system for our fans to watch races on the shores of the Montlake Cut or from any corner of the world that has internet. These significant improvements to the race-day experience were possible thanks to the Brian Miller and

Mike Buse Memorial Funds.

The program, with our alumni's support, has continued to upgrade the Montlake Cut race course so that it is not only one of the most dramatic courses in the world but also a truly fair and equitable one. The biggest piece was the new starting platform that the Blake Nordstrom family generously contributed. It makes the Montlake Cut world class and one of the best racing experiences in collegiate rowing.

This year, more fans attended the Cal Dual and Windermere Cup than in recent memory and rivaled the glory days of the 1930-40's when thousands cheered for the Boys in the Boat. *The Boys in the Boat* became the #1 New York Times—bestseller, bringing more attention, recognition and awareness to Washington Rowing.

We are constantly striving to improve our communications to reach more alumni and increase participation. The Board of Rowing Stewards, led by co-chairs Blake Nordstrom and John Kueber, hired a communications expert to assist in our efforts to communicate better with our fans, friends and alumni. SWEEP received an overhaul and is better than ever, and our e-newsletter provides regular updates on rowing events. We are also excited to announce the launch of our new website, www.WashingtonRowing.com.

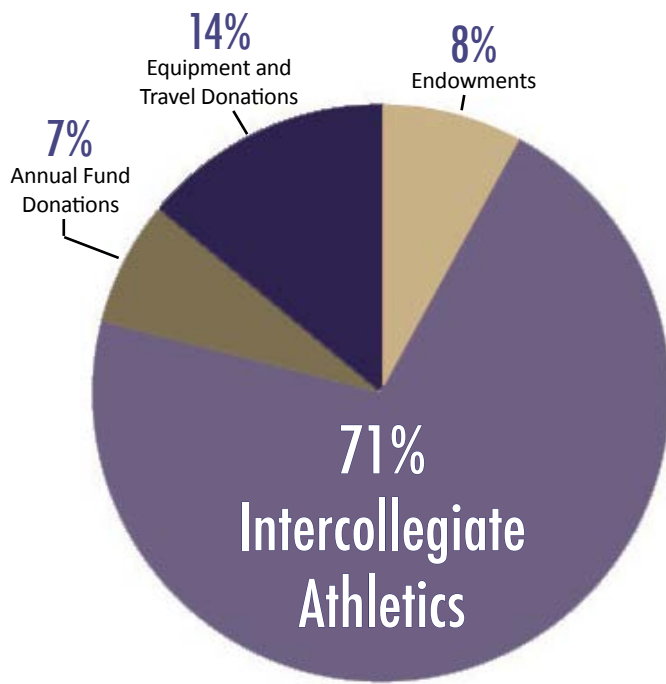
Many of these accomplishments wouldn't have been possible without the leadership and initiative of outgoing co-chairs Blake and John. They recently completed their term and have handed over the reins to Jane Powers, '85, and Trevor Vernon, '92. We would like to sincerely thank Blake and John for all they have done for the program and us personally.

Last year we took another big step towards being the best intercollegiate rowing program in the world. We want to be "The Rowing University" and we will keep pushing and striving towards that goal. Your continued support and participation is critical to achieving this. Thank you for being in our boat and driving us to the finish line.

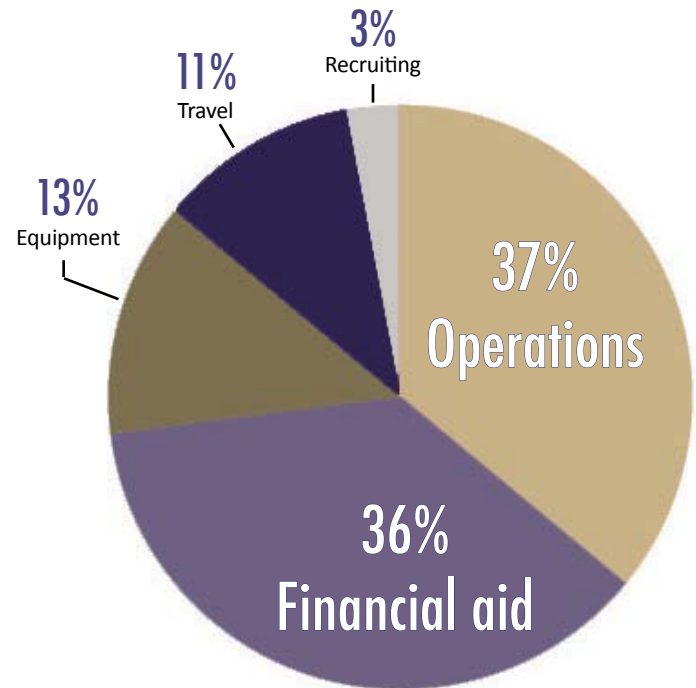
-Michael Callahan and Bob Ernst

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2014-15 Rowing Funding Sources



2014-15 Rowing Expenditures

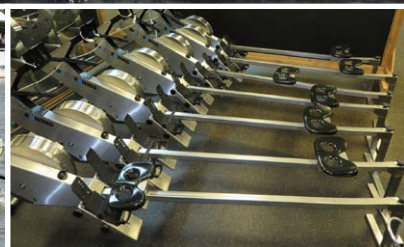


These pie charts represent our last fiscal year, beginning July 1, 2014 and ending on June 30, 2015.

HOW DO YOU BUILD CHAMPIONS?

You have fans, alumni and donors providing the tools to create a competitive edge. These are some of the things your gifts enabled Washington Rowing to invest in last year:

- Streaming equipment
- New launch
- Starting dock
- 3 8+ boats
- 6 singles boats
- Henley trip
- Watt stationary bikes
- RP3 indoor rowing machines



Washington Rowing Endowments

Endowment donors establish sustaining sources of scholarship and program funds that last through time. Endowments preserve the principal and use the interest from invested funds to cover the costs of program needs and the costs of annual scholarships – the single biggest expense for Husky Athletics. We are deeply grateful to all our endowment donors.

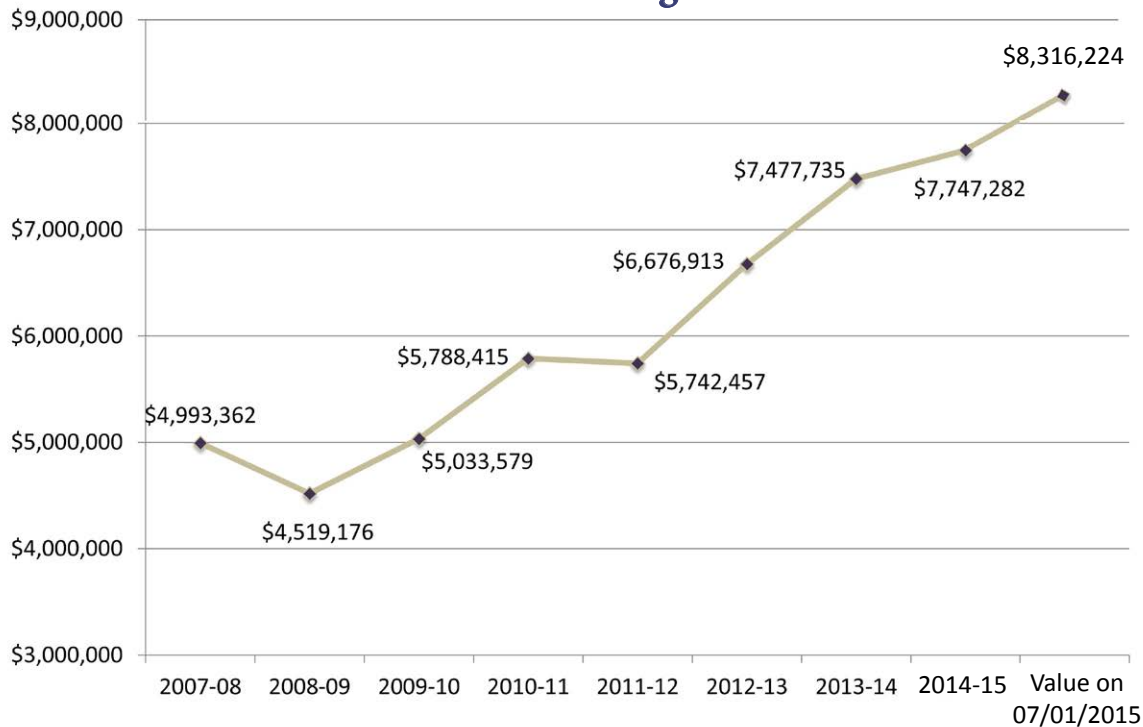
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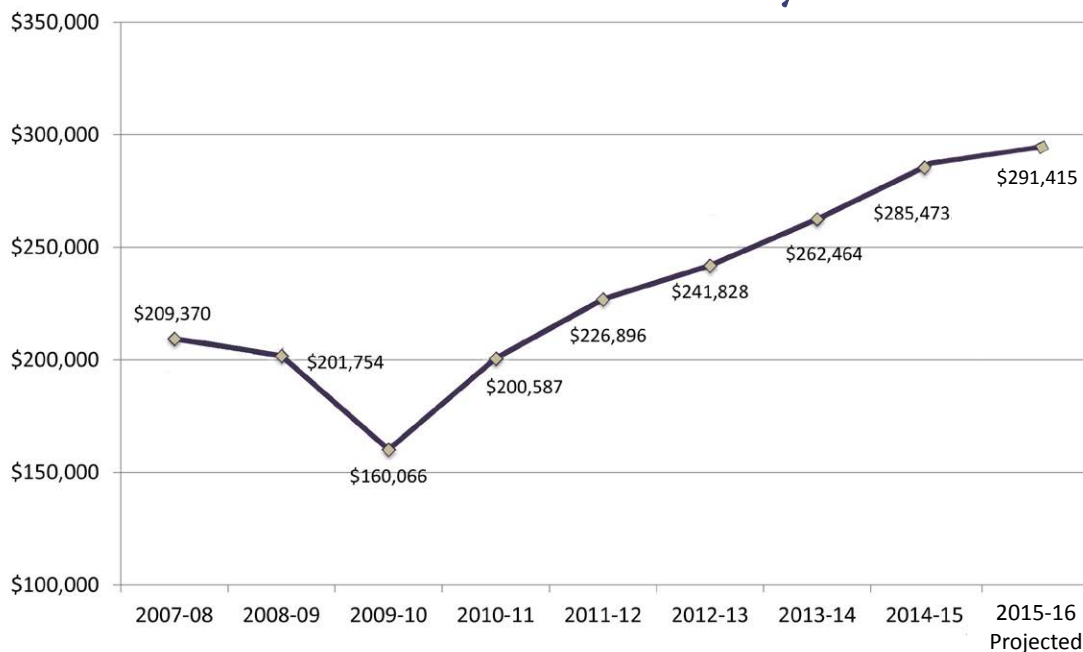
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Market Value of Rowing Endowments



Washington Rowing is grateful for everyone who has set up an endowment, supports existing endowments or is considering a new endowment.

Annual Endowment Payout



If you are thinking about establishing an endowment and would like more information, please contact Krista Rammelsberg at kramm@uw.edu or 206-221-3588.

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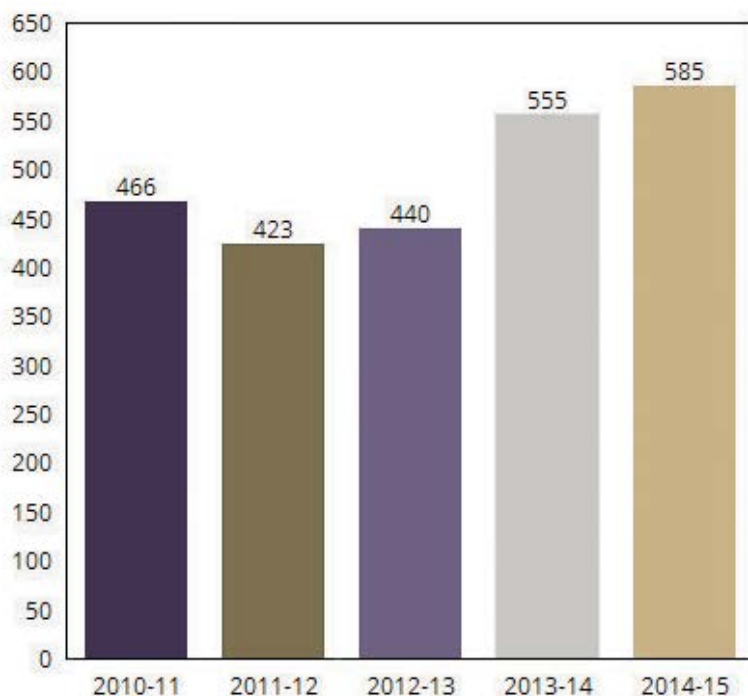
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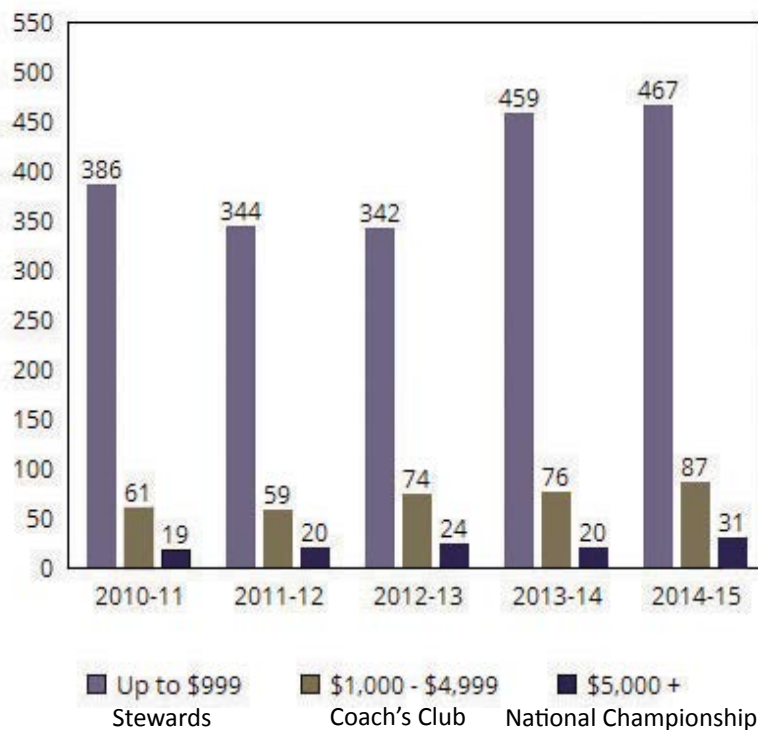
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The men celebrate a victory at the Windermere Cup.

A Class Act

On and off the water, Husky rowers put on a stellar performance.

Each of these categories represents outstanding achievements in the classroom. To qualify for Intercollegiate Rowing Association All-Academic Honors a student must maintain a GPA of 3.35, earn an institutional letter and compete at the IRA Regatta. To be a National Scholar-Athlete a student must have rowed in 75 percent of competitions and be at least a sophomore. In order to be recognized as a PAC-12 All Academic athlete the student must maintain a 3.0 GPA and row in at least half of the team's regular season events. With a 3.09 GPA, the men's team earned the highest average GPA of any large-sized men's program on campus. Two UW oarsmen, Jernej Markovc and Edward Nainby-Luxmoore, posted perfect 4.0 GPAs in the spring.



IRA All-Academic Honors

Eric Benca
Lisa Caldwell
Guglielmo Carcano
Nicolas Cypro
John Gangi
Graham Henry
Aleksander Malowany
Jernej Markovc
Henry Meek
Edward Nainby-Luxmoore
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Jake Zier



National Scholar Athletes

Hannah Allen
Anouschka Fenley
Hannah Lukanuski
Phoebe Spoors
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Jennifer Wahleithner
Vanessa Whattam

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Women

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Sophia Dalton
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Blake Bauer
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Guglielmo Carcano
Braeden Daste
Martyn Davenport
Michael Evans
Johannes Gees
Oscar Golberg
Graham Henry
Robert Karlen
Luke Khoury
Harrison King
Arne Landboe
Luca Lovisolo
Aleksander Malowany
Jernej Markovc
Vuk Matovic
Henry Meek
Rielly Milne
Matthew Milner
Edward Nainby-Luxmoore
Corban Nemeth
Sebastian Peter
Finn Schroeder
Spencer Schulz
Kevin Shoop
Stuart Sim
Philip Walczak
Jake Zier
Pietro Zileri Dal Verme



Men named PAC-12 All Academic

First Team

Guglielmo Carcano
Nicolas Cypro
Harrison King
Aleksander Malowany
Jernej Markovc
Edward Nainby-Luxmoore
Sebastian Peter
Stuart Sim
Philip Walczak

Second Team

Eric Benca
Lisa Caldwell
John Gangi
Andre Mattus
Matthew Medalia
Henry Meek
Matthew Milner
Lia Roberds
Finn Schroeder
Jake Zier

Honorable Mention

Oscar Golberg
Parker Ksidakis
Vuk Matovic
Alexander Perkins
Ivan Piton
Kevin Shoop
Pietro Zileri Dal Verme



Women named PAC-12 All Academic

First Team

Eleni Englert
Hannah Lukanuski
Jennifer Wahleithner
Vanessa Whattam

Second Team

Hannah Allen
Allison Barstow
Sophia Dalton
Anouschka Fenley
Fiona Gammond
Emily Roach
Phoebe Spoors
Courtney Thompson

Honorable Mention

Melanie Barstow
Kadie Brown
Bella Chilczuk
Giuliana Chilczuk
Abigail Ernst
Shelby Fanning
Kaitlyn Garlock
Delaney Goetz
Danielle Hansen
Marlow Mizer
Margaret Phillips
Samantha Potter
Danielle Olson
Grace Spoors
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Sam Storey

A Purple and Gold Medal Summer

The summer of 2015 was busy for the men and women as they traveled the globe collecting medals and making impressions.



The water was hot for the Husky rowers during the 2015 summer. With the men coming off their record-setting 5th straight IRA national championship win, they traveled to England for the Henley Royal Regatta where they won the Albert Challenge Cup for the first time in program history.

Throughout the summer both men and women continued to excel and excite. In Plovdiv, Bulgaria, 12 Huskies represented their home countries at the Under-23 World Championships. Team USA included Benjamin Davidson (Inverness, Fla.), Rielly Milne (Seattle, Wash.), Samuel Pettet (Seattle, Wash.), Eric Benca (Mercer Island, Wash.), Oscar Golberg (Vancouver, Wash.) and Sarah Dougherty (Kent, Wash.), who brought home the gold in the 4- an 8+.

Huskies representing other countries included Guglielmo Carcano, Pietro Zileri Dal Verme, Luca Lovisolo and Matteo Borsini for the Italian men and Chiara Ondoli for the Italian women. Viktor Pivac earned a spot in the boat for Serbia.

At the Senior World Championships in Aiguebelette, France, 14 current and former Dawgs represented the Huskies. Adrienne Martelli, Kerry Simmonds, Megan Kalmoe and Katelin Snyder each earned a gold medal. Danielle Hansen brought home silver and five finalists qualified for the Olympic Games in Rio. For the men, Viktor Pivac helped Serbia claim the bronze in the 2+. For the second straight year Megan Kalmoe was named USRowing Athlete of the Year by her peers.

Five Huskies represented Washington Rowing at the Pan Am Games in Toronto. Rob Gibson, Conlin McCabe, Will Crothers and Rosi DeBoef represented Canada and Sam Ojserkis took a seat in the USA men's 8+.

At the World University Games Matteo Borsini, Pietro Zileri Dal Verme, Guglielmo Carcano and Luca Lovisolo took home the bronze for Italy. Kevin O'Connor won gold with team USA in the men's 8+. Jacob Morton and Chiara Ondoli also represented teams USA and Italy, respectfully.

UW Participants at U-23 World Championships

GOLD

USA – Sarah Dougherty 4- & 8+

BRONZE

Serbia – Viktor Pivac 2-

Honorable Mention

USA – Benjamin Davidson BM1x

USA – Rielly Milne 4+

USA – Samuel Pettet 4+

USA – Eric Benca 4+

USA – Oscar Golberg 4+

USA – Matt Rung (coach) 4+

Italy – Pietro Zileri Dal Verme 4+

Italy – Guglielmo Carcano 4+

Italy – Luca Lovisolo 4+

Italy – Matteo Borsini 4+

Italy – Chiara Ondoli 4-

UW Participants at World Rowing Championships

GOLD

USA – Katelin Snyder 8+

USA – Kerry Simmonds 8+

USA – Megan Kalmoe 4x

USA – Adrienne Martelli 4-

SILVER

USA – Danielle Hansen LTA 4+

BRONZE

Serbia – Viktor Pivac 2+

Honorable Mention

USA – Samuel Dommer 8+

USA – Hans Struzyna 4x

Canada – Patricia Obee LWT 2x

Canada – Rosie DeBoef - Spare

Canada – Will Crothers 4-

Canada – Conlin McCabe 4-

Canada – Rob Gibson 4x

Italy – Pietro Zileri Dal Verme - Spare



Top: Husky participants at the U-23 World Championships. Left: Megan Kalmoe, Adrienne Martelli, Kerry Simmonds and Katelin Snyder won gold medals at the 2015 Senior World Championships. Kalmoe was named USRowing Female Athlete of the Year for the second year in a row.

UW Participants at Pan Am Games

GOLD

Canada – Rob Gibson 4x

Canada – Colin McCabe 4-, 8+

Canada – Will Crothers 4-, 8+

SILVER

Canada – Rob Gibson 1x

BRONZE

USA – Sam Ojserkis 8+

Canada – Rosi DeBoef 2-

UW Participants at World University Games

GOLD

USA – Kevin O'Connor 8+

BRONZE

Italy – Pietro Zileri Dal Verme 4+

Italy – Guglielmo Carcano 4+

Italy – Luca Lovisolo 4+

Italy – Matteo Borsini 4+

Honorable Mention

USA – Jacob Morton 4-

Italy – Chiara Ondoli 4-

Awesome is Dani O!

‘If people say it’s really difficult, then I will probably like it.’



Team Captain Dani Olson shows her power at the 2015 Pac-12 Championships in May.

By Amy Anderson

“Dani is awesome. She is the hardest-working athlete I think I’ve ever coached, ever,” says women’s crew head coach Bob Ernst. “She’s naturally gifted and she’s very, very bright.”

Team captain Dani Olson is a sixth-generation Husky who hails from Manitowoc, WI. She played soccer and volleyball in high school and was a three-time state powerlifting competitor. But she had never rowed before.

“She’s learned how to row really well here,” Ernst continued. “She leads by example. She’s really strong. She’s really fit. She’s committed to the team and she’s brought a lot of leadership to the boat and tons of power.”

In addition to becoming a rowing powerhouse in her four years at Washington, Olson is a Specialist in the National Guard, active in her sorority, and a biochemistry major studying pre-med. This summer she helped fight wildfires with her National Guard unit in Eastern Washington.

Although quite humble, Olson admits to playing to her strengths. She’s a power rower, a power multi-tasker and an all-around powerhouse, or “Wonder Woman” as Ernst says.

I sat down with Olson at Conibear Shellhouse the day before fall quarter started to find out how she balances it all and what’s she’s most excited about in her last year at Washington. Here are excerpts from our interview.

Q. How did you decide to try out for rowing?

A. I heard rowing was really difficult so that kind of piqued my interest. I like a good challenge. I like to do hard things. If people say it's really difficult then I will probably like it. I decided to try out and it was just a really good fit for me.

Q. What do you like most about rowing for Washington? Least?

A. I love the water here—Lake Washington and Lake Union. Seeing the city of Seattle from the water is just the most breathtaking view and especially at 6 a.m. The water is flat and when the boat is going well you're just flying. Rowing is all sensory – your system is turned on. You're working hard. Your adrenaline is pumping, you feel the wind in your face and it's just the best feeling.

I like the erg the least. That to me is the most mentally challenging thing I've ever done. I've done CrossFit, jujitsu, and a lot of mind-based sports. But the erg constantly giving you feedback and seeing every stroke – is so draining. But it's taught me to keep my head down and just do the work.

Q. How do you balance it all?

A. Some times are worse than others. It's hard to make the choice between I need to study and I need to sleep for practice. But it's been kind of a fluid learning thing. I just try my best to keep the perspective that not one test is going to break my GPA and if I keep in touch with my professors they're pretty understanding. I'm lucky to be in a National Guard unit that supports rowing and they're really proud of me. My sorority sisters come to all of my races and are very supportive. I think having people in my life who really care about what I'm doing makes it so much easier for me to do the things I've done.

Q. Where do you think you got your work ethic?

A. Growing up we moved around a lot and I've always been overly competitive. My friends were my teammates. I would compete all the time with the people I was closest to. I'd want my friend's spot more than anything. I was looking for someone to validate my performance or make me feel like I was doing the right thing, on the right path. As I got older I realized it was more for me than anything. I thrive in tough, harsh environments. I like to be in the grit of things and see if I can pull myself out.

**Q. How did you decide you wanted to be a doctor?**

A. My father is an orthopedic surgeon so I've been in surgery, I've been in a cadaver lab with him and we did some hip and knee replacements. I'm really interested in trauma surgery. I had someone really close to me die in a car accident and the trauma surgeons were not up to par. That resulted in him dying and that was really hard for me. I'd like to be more proactive in that field and change the mentality of a doctor that's been up for 48 hours and is delirious and can't make good decisions.

"I thrive in tough, harsh environments. I like to be in the grit of things and see if I can pull myself out."

- Dani Olson

Q. What are your favorite classes?

A. I love organic chemistry. I'm a bio-chemistry major with a nutrition minor. I really enjoy my nutrition classes. I'm taking a class this fall on food policy that I'm really excited about.

Q. What are you most proud of with regard to your rowing career at Washington?

A. I'm really happy to see the change in my teammates. As captain I was able to build them up and watch them grow. Maybe it's because I planted the seed and gave them that little word of encouragement and that's what made them blossom. I like to think that the strength of our team this year stemmed from that.

Q. How would your teammates describe you?

A. I hope they would describe me as passionate and someone who has a lot of grace. I really try to be humble as well. I'm more interested in the team doing well and less about myself doing well. Whatever's going to make the team the fastest, if that means I have to be in the JV I don't care. I will race as hard as I can no matter what boat I'm in as long as we take down Ohio this year. We are going for #1.

Q. What's it going to take to be #1?

A. It's going to take a lot of pain and it's going to take committing to a weight training program to build the strength on our team. I try to show people what it's going to take. I train maybe more than the average person. I go to CrossFit and lift six days a week.

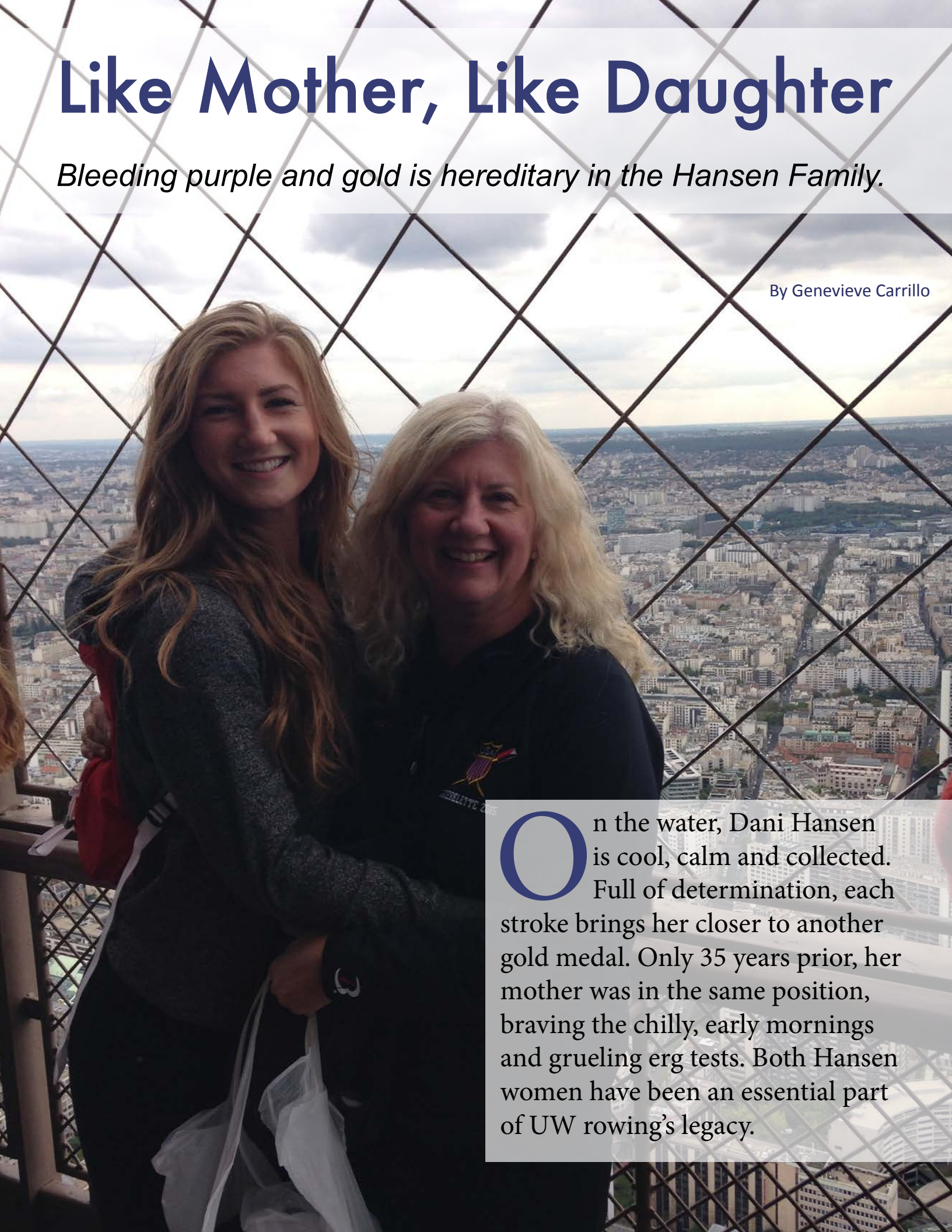
Q. What are you most looking forward to in your senior year?

A. One of the things I'm really passionate about is changing our nutrition focus to an "eat to perform" mentality. I really want to change the female athlete mentality from 'I need to be this weight and I need to look good' to being strong. It's really empowering when women can stop looking at the scale and look at their performance and feel proud of themselves no matter what weight they are. I think our performance will increase exponentially.

Like Mother, Like Daughter

Bleeding purple and gold is hereditary in the Hansen Family.

By Genevieve Carrillo



On the water, Dani Hansen is cool, calm and collected. Full of determination, each stroke brings her closer to another gold medal. Only 35 years prior, her mother was in the same position, braving the chilly, early mornings and grueling erg tests. Both Hansen women have been an essential part of UW rowing's legacy.

Mother Sharon Hansen - known as Sharon Ellzey in college - arrived at the University of Washington in 1980, and sought out the athletic director, Kit Green. Sharon played basketball in high school, but missed the chance for tryouts at UW. After discovering that there was no field hockey or softball, she was encouraged to check out the women's rowing team. As if it were fate, Sharon grew into a successful rower, later winning two national championship titles in '81 and '82.

Dani Hansen is currently a senior at UW, double majoring in psychology and communications. Due to a knee injury, Dani was able to redshirt her freshman year, being a part of the team without competing. This will allow Dani to spend a fifth year on the team next year.

Like many on the team, Dani had no prior rowing experience. In high school, Dani played volleyball well enough to be awarded a scholarship to play at Florida College.

"I had never even seen the sport, even though my mother had rowed whilst in college," Dani says. "She's such a humble lady and just never really talked about it much."

Sharon took Dani on a road trip to see colleges, and decided to have coach Bob Ernst give her a tour of the sports facilities. Dani had her heart set on Florida College, but her mother joked that after two minutes with Ernst, he would change her mind, and, like clockwork, immediately after their conversation, Dani was sold.

Having an experienced rower as a mom has been a worthwhile advantage for Dani. She has someone to vent to, someone who will understand the stress of erg tests and pre-race jitters. Sharon likes being a voice of encouragement to her daughter.

"I know what it's like to have the hands blistered, and the aching," Sharon says.

The Hansen family is from California and because of this Sharon is not always able to make all of UW's regattas, but

Dani is always grateful for being able to race with her mom watching. Sharon makes her way up to Seattle multiple times a year for races and the VBC banquet, and always brings the coaches brownies "for putting up with me," Dani joked.

For Sharon, her most memorable experience while on the team was winning the National Championship of 1981 in Oakland, Calif., and having her parents there to witness it. Now, roughly 30 years later, Dani's favorite rowing memory is beating Cal on their home course in 2013, family cheering loudly at the finish line.

This year, Dani hopes to help her team win Pac-12's, and then NCAA's at the end of the season.



Dani Hansen (second from left) helped team USA win the silver medal in the Legs, Trunk, Arms mixed coxed 4 at the 2015 World Rowing Championships in Aiguebelette, France, with teammates Jaclyn Smith, Zachary Burns, Richard Vandegrift and cox Jennifer Sichel.

In the Hansen family, rowing has become more than a sport. For Sharon, it has helped her achieve goals and push herself in her career, as well in her personal life. According to Sharon, rowers can put up with just about anything. "You have good work ethic, you are not afraid," Sharon says. "And if you are, you know how to go on anyway."

Although both of the Hansen women are ports, rowing together is not completely off the table, and both mother and daughter would love to share boat-time. "We have never rowed together, but I hope one day we'll be able to," Dani added with a laugh. "We'd row in one very fast circle!"



Out & About

The men's trip to the Henley Royal Regatta this summer was generously supported by alumni and friends. Several made the trip to Henley to show their support.



1: Sonja, Blake, Erika and Alex Washburn, Trent and Rebecca Stedman, and Michael Sim take in the festivities. 2: Neal Dempsey and Krista Rammelsberg, Tyee Club Associate Director, explore the Stewards Enclosure. 3: David Slepian, Tom Burkhart, Dwight Phillips, Dee Walker exploring the grounds. 4: Margaret "Penny" Buse, Dwight Philips and Dee Walker take a cruise on the launch. 5: The men's 4+ pulling out into the lead. 6: John and Judy Runstad take a moment to chat with men's head coach Michael Callahan. 7: The men's 8 power to the finish line.

New Website

Check out WashingtonRowing.com for news, results, schedules, videos, photos, history, and to connect with fellow alums.



Coaching Updates



Alan Meininghaus



Niles Garratt

Alan Meininghaus, '12, was named women's crew second assistant coach. Meininghaus worked as an intern assistant coach for the 2015 National Champion UW men's crew.

Niles Garratt, '11, was named men's crew second assistant coach, a promotion from his graduate assistant position he held last year. The men's team has also added intern assistants Kristen Brownlee and Alex Mann.

Coaching Honors

Women's head coach Bob Ernst was inducted into the Collegiate Rowing Coaches Associations Hall of Fame.

Men's head coach Michael Callahan was named Pac-12 Conference Men's Coach of the Year for the sixth consecutive season. Seattle Magazine named Callahan one of Seattle's Most Influential People of 2015.

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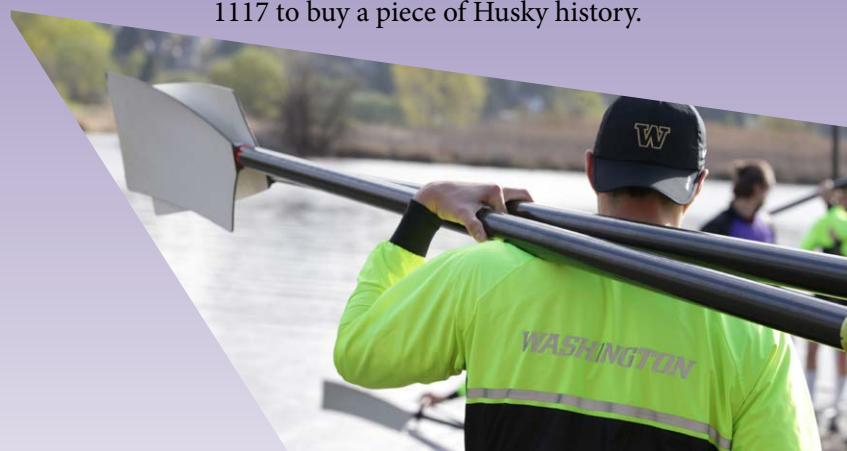


It's reunion time! The main activities will be around the VBC banquet and Class Day March 25 - 26. For more details and to get on the mailing list contact Bill Collins at wccollins@gmail.com or John Vynne at johnv@tbirdmining.com.

If you have news of a life event or milestone (i.e., promotion/new job, wedding, birth announcement, retirement, awards, etc) you would like to share, please send us a short description as well as your UW Rowing class year. We also want to feature pictures of alums at UW Rowing events. Please submit your updates and photos to sweepcrew@ica.washington.edu.

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EVENT	DATE	LOCATION
Burnaby Lake Regatta (w)	October 3 8am	Burnaby, BC, Canada
Head of the Charles (m)	October 18	Boston, MA
Head of the American (w)	October 24 8am	Rancho Cordova, CA – Lake Natoma
Head of the Lake	November 8 8am	Seattle, WA – Montlake Cut
Turkey Trot	November 20 4pm	Seattle, WA – Conibear Shellhouse
VBC Banquet	March 25 6pm	Seattle, WA – Conibear Shellhouse
Class Day Regatta	March 26 10am	Seattle, WA – Montlake Cut
OSU Invite (w)	April 2 TBA	Dexter Lake, OR
Husky Open, Brown	April 2 8am	Seattle, WA – Montlake Cut
WSU, OSU	April 9 9am	Seattle, WA – Montlake Cut
California	April 23 9am	Redwood Shores, CA
Gonzaga	April 30 9am	Spokane, WA
Windermere Cup/Opening Day	May 7 10:20am	Seattle, WA – Montlake Cut
Pacific Coast Rowing Championship	May 14 All Day	Rancho Cordova, CA – Lake Natoma
Pac-12 Championships	May 15 All Day	Rancho Cordova, CA – Lake Natoma
NCAA Championships	May 27-29 All Day	Rancho Cordova, CA – Lake Natoma
IRA National Championships	June 3-5 All Day	Mercer Lake, NJ

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