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DIVERSITY *in* the WORKPLACE **SPECIAL EDITION**

Executive Achievers

George Fox celebrates alumni, student successes

Three high-achieving graduates are putting the spotlight on George Fox University.

The school, ranked by U.S. News & World Report as a top-tier master's-level university in the

West, offers bachelor's degrees in more than 30 majors, degree-completion programs for working adults, a seminary, and 14 master's and doctoral degrees. Courses of study are available on the college campus in Newberg and also in Portland.

George Fox graduate Perry Gruber was recently named one of Portland's 40 most influential executives under 40-years-old by The Business Journal of Portland. Gruber is community affairs manager for Intel Oregon.

Brenda Dizer, a George Fox University M.B.A. student, received an "achiever" award from Astra Society International, a nonprofit agency that promotes women in business. She previously has been honored by the Northwest Minority Business Council with their Minority Business Advocate Leadership Award.



Brenda Dizer



Perry Gruber



Yolanda Karp

She also has received the Corporate Award from the Oregon Association of Minority Entrepreneurs for outstanding service and commitment to Oregon's minority business community. Dizer is manager of the supplier diversity program at Nike.

Yolanda Karp, a George Fox University MBA student and 2001 management and organizational leadership graduate, was named a 2003 finalist for Woman Entrepreneur of the Year by the Business

Journal. A Mexico City-native, Karp is CEO and president of Hacienda Community Credit Union, which she founded last year to provide financial services for low- and middle-income Hispanics in the Portland area. Hacienda is one of a handful of Hispanic credit unions in the U.S. and the first credit union created in Oregon since 1980.

Information about the college is available at www.georgefox.edu or call 503-538-8383.

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Army, NASCAR Launch Diversity Outreach

NASCAR and the U.S. Army recently launched a diversity outreach program designed to introduce inner city teenagers to the broad range of opportunities available in motorsports.

The program will reach out to young adults through special events, at-track tours and discussions with NASCAR and Army representatives.

"NASCAR is working directly with our entire industry to broaden our sports appeal and to help create meaningful opportunities for the many diverse communities throughout

our country," said Dora Taylor, head of NASCAR's diversity affair's department. "We are calling on all members of the motorsports industry to promote diversity in every facet of their operations."

Existing NASCAR diversity outreach programs include a 10-week, full-time paid summer internships designed to introduce diverse youth to the many exciting career opportunities available throughout the motorsports industry. For more information, visit www.diversityinternships.com or www.goarmy.com.

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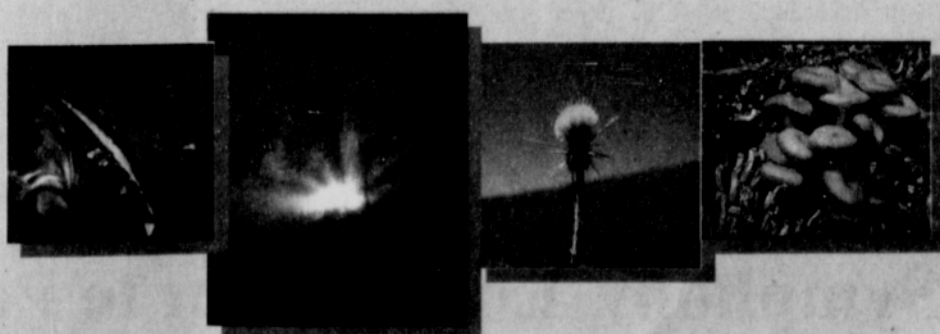


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