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LYDIA (JANKE '48) SWAN

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—Allen Swan

## FOR HONOR AND BLESSING

The loss of a loved one is always heartbreaking, but the Allen Swan family found a way to perpetually honor the memory of their beloved wife and mother and turn their sadness into an ongoing blessing for others.

Lydia (Janke '48) Swan studied at Northwestern's campus in downtown Minneapolis under the presidency of a young Billy Graham. She studied nursing at Swedish Hospital in order to become a Registered Nurse in 1952. She then married Allen Swan. In 1980–81, the Swans' youngest son, Phillip, attended Northwestern. Today Phillip serves as associate professor of music and co-director of Choral Studies at Lawrence University. Their oldest son, Dr. Timothy Swan, is an Interventional Radiologist in Marshfield, Wisconsin. Two of Tim's daughters have already graduated from Northwestern and his third daughter will graduate in the first class of Northwestern's new nursing program in August 2014.

Although Lydia passed away in 1996, her life continues to have impact in the form of an endowed scholarship established by her husband and sons in her honor. Each year the scholarship is awarded to a Northwestern student studying music or medicine—areas of close interest to the Swan family.

“I'm very thankful to the Swan family for their generosity,” says two-time

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CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1 scholarship recipient Miriam (Mick '08) Camarse. “It’s such a blessing not to have that additional school debt hanging over our heads while we get started in our careers.” Today Camarse, a mother of two, is a supervisor for ACR Homes, which provides residential support services for people with physical and/or developmental disabilities.

It is unlikely the Swans will see all the results of their generosity this side of Heaven because of the exponential impact students

have as they pass on what they’ve learned to those they serve in their chosen professions—and those people in turn pass it on.

Scholarships can be created for any number of reasons; they’re a wonderful way to publicly honor the memory of a loved one. It’s easier to set up and fund a scholarship than you may think. Anyone can set up a scholarship fund and there are many different approaches, including leaving a gift from your estate. In the process of funding their scholarship, the Swan family

learned that Allen’s former employer, General Mills, would match Allen’s contributions to the scholarship.

“I was brought up to believe that God has blessed all of us with gifts and talents of some kind, and we have a responsibility to share those gifts with others,” says Allen Swan. “My family has a close attachment with Northwestern, and we feel it’s the proper place to honor the Lord, and Lydia’s memory, by giving to others so that they can serve the Lord.” ■

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## 2013

### University of Northwestern – St. Paul

It's official! As of July 1, 2013, in response to God's leading and the changing needs of the school, our new name is University of Northwestern – St. Paul.

**The name change will not impact any existing estate documents or Will/beneficiary designations: You do not have to do anything on existing estate plans.**

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# NEW CENTER HONORS YOUDERIANS



Roger Youderian '50 met his wife Barbara (Orton '49) at Northwestern as they studied medical missions. Many of their classmates were already serving as missionaries in Ecuador, including Frank Drown '44 and his wife Marie (Page '44). Drown sent a letter

to Roger regarding the great spiritual need among the Shuar (Jivaro) Indians, a tribe of headhunters living in the jungles of the Amazon.

Armed only with their passion for the Gospel, the Youderians arrived in Ecuador in 1953 as missionaries with the Gospel Missionary Union (now Avant Ministries). There Roger met pilot Nate Saint and learned of "Operation Auca," a plan to make contact with the feared Auca Indians (now known as the Waodani or Waorani tribe) in order to share the Gospel. Roger and Nate went into intense preparations with fellow missionaries Ed McCully, Jim Elliot and Peter Fleming.

In early January 1956, the men landed on Palm Beach, the designated sand strip on the banks of the Curaray River. On January 8, contact was lost between home base and the men on Palm Beach. Drown led the dangerous search and recovery team that discovered all five men had been martyred—killed by the end of a deadly Waodani spear.

*"He is no fool who gives  
what he cannot keep to gain  
that which he cannot lose."*

*—Jim Elliot's journal entry*

*October 28, 1949*



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*Top: Roger Youderian gives a young Auca woman food and gifts, including a model of the missionaries' airplane. Bottom: Barbara Youderian teaches Jivaro children.*

Barbara, Roger's widow, remembers, "At that time God directed me to Psalm 48:14: 'For this God is our God forever and ever. He will be our guide even unto death.' I had been prepared, and God became the strength of my heart and the sustaining factor in my own personal crisis." Each widow returned to serve in the jungle, eventually seeing many Ecuadorian Indians come to Christ.

The report of these martyred missionaries became international news, including an article in *Life* magazine. The story has been recounted through books and films including *End of the Spear* and *Through Gates of Splendor* and has become a motivation for thousands to enter the mission field.

## *Youderian Missional Center*

The newly named *Youderian Missional Center* in Nazareth Hall on Northwestern's campus features a historical wall and video commemorating the lives of Roger and Barbara Youderian. The room will be a stopping point for alumni and prospective students and an ongoing testimony to the way God has and continues to use Northwestern students for His glory. ■

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Roger Youderian and Lydia Janke Swan attended Northwestern around the same time students caught a vision for radio's future potential in sharing the Gospel. Northwestern students sacrificed out of their meager finances to launch a radio ministry that today reaches more than 1 million of your neighbors—and thousands more through Internet streaming.

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