

What I've Done With My Life

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Cheryl Hug-English '78 (biology), '82M.D. has spent the last 20 years of her medical career working at the University of Nevada School of Medicine. She has served as medical director for the Student Health Center since 1994, and also serves as associate dean of admissions and student affairs. Harry English '77 (biology), '81M.D. is practicing with Associated Anesthesiologists of Reno. Harry and Cheryl met during their undergraduate years at Nevada. They became engaged during medical school and were married the week after Cheryl took her boards and the week after Harry took his surgery final. They have been married for 28 years.

What is your fondest memory from your days at the University of Nevada, Reno?

Our days at the University are very memorable. We both graduated from Nevada and went on to attend medical school at the University of Nevada School of Medicine. We both have many good friends from our time as undergraduates and as medical students.

We have fond memories of games and concerts in the old gym, exciting (and sometimes cold!) football games, marathon study sessions in the library, and coffee breaks at the student union. We also like to remember the good friends from activities we participated in, like Lambda Chi Alpha and Pi Beta Phi. We've watched this institution grow and evolve over the years. We take great pride in the core mission of high quality education that this University stands for.

I (Cheryl) feel privileged to be able to come to work every day and interact with bright and talented students, who keep me motivated and inspired. I love walking on campus and seeing the excitement of new buildings, new energy, and new students experiencing their own college adventures.

I (Harry) enjoy the opportunity to stay active with students, as well. I take care to talk

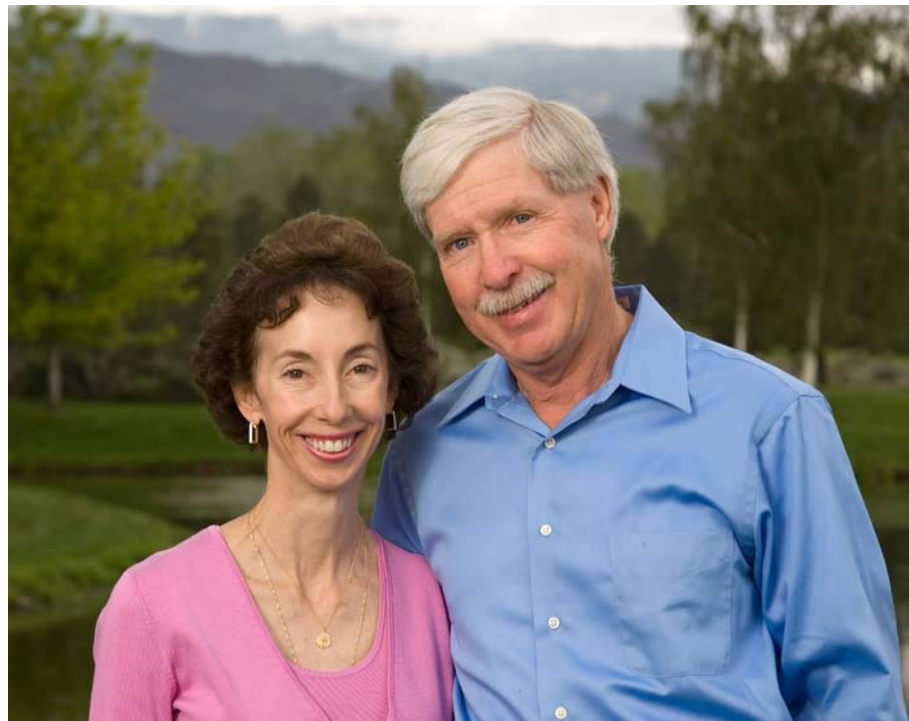


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with preprofessional student groups and precepting medical students. We both continue to be active alums and love attending various sporting events to cheer on the Wolf Pack.

We really enjoy time with our family and friends. Harry continues to be an avid golfer and tries to keep up with our son, Christopher, on the golf course. And Cheryl continues to try to hit tennis balls without getting much better! We love summers at Lake Tahoe and enjoy our winter snow.

What have you done that you're most proud of?

Together, we're most proud of our three children, Christopher, Ashley, and Alysha. Christopher is 24 and graduated from Nevada in December 2007 with a degree in philosophy. Ashley is 21 and is a junior at Nevada. Alysha is 19 and has recently started her academic pursuits at Nevada, as well. We are thrilled that all three of our children will graduate from the University of Nevada, Reno. They will be the fourth generation of our family to attend and graduate from this institution.

What advice would you give someone just starting out after college?

To new students beginning their academic pursuits in higher education we say, "Take hold of your dreams and your passions—Experience adventure and explore your paths!" The University of Nevada, Reno has brought us great joy and continues to be a central part of our lives.

We feel lucky to be a part of such great tradition, educational opportunity, and academic culture. The people we have met through the University of Nevada, Reno and University of Nevada School of Medicine continue to be a great part of our lives. How fortunate we are to know all the administrators, faculty, and friends who have enriched our lives over the years.

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What I've Done with my Life asks an alum who has been out of school for a while to answer the three questions above. Email your submission to silverblue@unr.edu, or mail to: *Nevada Silver & Blue*, University of Nevada, Reno/0007, Reno, NV 89557-0007. Please include a phone number. Don't exceed 650 words. Submissions may also be posted at www.unr.edu/nevadasilverandblue.