4. Engineering Meaningful Change

Why it matters:

Seattle University engineering projects are honored with an award recognizing their sustainability initiatives. The award is bestowed upon precedent-setting buildings that stand as symbols of environmental stewardship. This year, the design of a 14,000-square-foot, two-story reinforced concrete building protects salmon habitat, showcases innovation in sustainable design, and is regarded as a leader in environmental architecture.

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A rendering of a 14,000-square-foot, two-story building that will serve children near Seattle University. The design features a variety of sustainable elements, including the use of recycled materials and low VOC content, high-efficiency energy systems and water fixtures, and Forest Stewardship Council standards. Each features native, drought-tolerant plants, high-performance windows, and green roofs.

3. High Marks for Student Athletes

Why it matters:

Seattle University Athletics has achieved unprecedented success in terms of academic performance among its student athletes. For the 10th consecutive term, student athletes recorded a 3.301 GPA—and 3.335 GPA for the full academic year. Collectively, student athletes recorded a point average over 3.0 in the term, and 3.73 for the spring quarter with high academic marks as 16 teams achieved grade point averages over 3.0 in the term.

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Seattle University Athletics completed a successful academic year with over 300 student athletes who have set a new record for academic achievement. This success is a testament to the university's commitment to the holistic development of its student athletes.

2. Recognizing Nurse-Scholar

Why it matters:

Dean Catherine Swanson, who is an alumna of the CU Nursing PhD program, is a highly regarded nurse-scholar whose “Theory of Caring” has been adopted by nurses around the world. The dean is the recipient of the 2022 Lifetime Achievement Award from the American Nurses Association (ANA) for her contributions to nursing education, research, and patient care. The award is bestowed upon precedent-setting buildings that stand as symbols of environmental stewardship.

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The Seattle University School of Nursing has been a leader in the field of nursing education, research, and patient care. Dean Catherine Swanson has been a driving force in the development of the school’s programs and has been a vocal advocate for the importance of caring in nursing. The ANA Lifetime Achievement Award is a recognition of her contributions to the field of nursing.

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Seattle University held its first in-person commencement in three years at the KeyArena. The Class of 2022, along with members of the classes of 2020 and 2021, got their chance to walk across the stage in traditional commencement robes and caps. Join us as we celebrate the Class of 2022 and highlight the students and faculty who have made this moment possible.

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