



WINTER 2011 E-NEWS INDEX

From the Chair: Department has momentum for spring fundraising auction

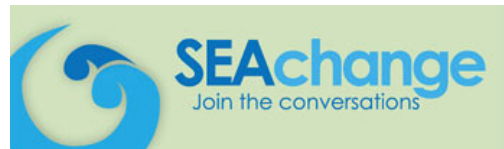
In 2010, we celebrated our first annual Spring Auction with an impressive \$40,000 boost to our private funding for students. This year our auction takes place on **Thursday, April 28**. I hope you can join us for a fun evening and a good cause. Our mission is to provide a transformative education and we do so with the generous support of our alumni and friends. **Read more from David Domke.**

Transforming Communities
 One Communication Student at a Time

On April 2 attend SEACHange: From Exxon Valdez to Deepwater Horizon

Telling Tales of Environmental Disaster, Justice, and Recovery

During 2010's catastrophic oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico, new storytellers tried to make sense of ever-changing events through blogs, Twitter, and other new media. How did this compare to coverage of the Exxon Valdez spill 22 years ago? What does this tell us about the powerful ties between storytelling, our environment, and social justice? These and other questions will be explored at *SEACHange 2011*, a one-day event on **Saturday, April 2**. **Read more and register online.**



Doctoral candidates examine Tea Party movement

Doctoral candidates Colin Lingle and Damon Di Cicco spent the summer of 2010 interviewing Tea Party supporters and attending their rallies to learn what it means to be a Tea Partier.

From Seattle to Arizona to Washington, D.C., they racked up more than 5,000 miles on Lingle's Toyota Corolla, wanting to find out directly from Tea Party supporters what their motivations are.

Read more.

Publishers, Editors, Ad Men: Alumni represent department legacy



Three alumni from what was then the School of Communications represent a rich journalistic and advertising legacy: **Hal Newsom** (BA, 1952), president and CEO of Cole & Weber when it was the largest advertising agency in the Northwest; **William Lewis** (BA, 1942), who was co-publisher of the *Lynden Tribune* and several other newspapers; and **Bill Bates** (BA, 1946), former editor and publisher of the *Snohomish County Tribune*. **Read more.**