

OREGON OUTLOOK

NEWS FOR AND ABOUT PEOPLE SUPPORTING THE UNIVERSITY OF OREGON • FALL 2011

Mary Corrigan Solari '46 and her late husband Richard Solari. Mary Corrigan Solari funded \$5 million in new scholarships that will help at least 250 middle-class Oregonians attend college.



A Leg Up for Oregonians 'Caught in the Middle'

DONOR HELPS MIDDLE-INCOME OREGONIANS REALIZE COLLEGE DREAMS

With middle-class incomes at their lowest nationally since 1997, Mary Corrigan Solari is throwing out \$20,000 lifelines to 250 young Oregonians whose families don't qualify for need-based aid and cannot afford to take on college debt.

"I wanted to help Oregonians caught in the middle," said the 1946 UO psychology graduate. "I have been acutely aware of the many middle-class parents who have been struggling to finance their children's education."

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Open for Business and Pleasure

NEW CHERYL RAMBERG FORD AND ALLYN FORD ALUMNI CENTER IS A PLACE TO WORK, PLAY, AND WELCOME ALL TO THE UNIVERSITY

Welcome—the Cheryl Ramberg Ford and Allyn Ford Alumni Center is ready for all Ducks to enjoy. The center is open to students, families, alumni, and visitors.

On June 10, the university celebrated the grand opening of the four-floor, 60,000-square-foot facility. Lead donors Cheryl Ramberg Ford '66 and Allyn Ford joined the Duck in a ribbon-cutting ceremony.

"Many friends have invested in this long-anticipated project," said Ramberg Ford. The Fords led the fundraising effort for the center, giving a total of \$7 million.

"We're delighted to be a part of opening the University of Oregon's new front door to

alumni, prospective students, the community, and the state," she said. "The design is phenomenal, the building is green in more ways than one, and the interpretive center is leading-edge. It is a proud day for Oregon alumni."

Sleek, modern, and sustainable, the building completes the UO's new gateway to campus. It will give students their first impression of campus and a place to return as alumni.

"This facility breaks the mold," said University of Oregon President Richard Lariviere. "Ducks are innovators, and the Ford Alumni Center reflects this creativity and leadership."

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Jan Lariviere, UO senior counselor for external relations, with Andy '55 and Phyllis Berwick '56 at the announcement for the Berwicks' \$10 million gift to the university.

Berwicks' Gift Moves UO Closer to New Performance Venue

GIFT WOULD SERVE THE OREGON BACH FESTIVAL, SCHOOL OF MUSIC AND DANCE, AND ENTIRE UO COMMUNITY

On October 13, the university announced a \$10 million gift from alumni Phyllis '56 and Andy Berwick '55. The gift is a commitment to support a potential new performance venue to be funded primarily by private gifts. Plans for the new facility are still under review.

"We are immensely grateful to Phyllis and Andy for their generosity over the years," said UO President Richard Lariviere. "They are loyal Ducks whose leadership remains invaluable to the university."

The new performance hall is part of an overall strategic plan for a potential renovation and expansion of the Erb Memorial Union (EMU) and Student Recreation Center. The expansion is a capital construction priority. The university and student leaders are currently reviewing plans for this expansion.

"This is a trifecta for Phyllis and me," said donor Andy Berwick. "This is where three of our greatest passions come together—the Oregon Bach Festival, the EMU, and the University of Oregon."

Andy Berwick is a real estate developer and founder of Berwick Pacific Corporation in San

Mateo, California. Phyllis Berwick is a former teacher.

The Berwicks established the university's Richard C. Williams Endowed Student Leadership Fund in 2004, which combines the academic theory of leadership with skills gained from working inside and outside of the classroom.

The Berwicks, who have long been involved with the San Francisco Symphony, attended their first Oregon Bach Festival concert in 2004. They have been significant donors to the Oregon Bach Festival since 2005, when they announced a pledge of \$1 million to the festival's Saltzman Endowment.

They later served as cochairs for the endowment campaign and have underwritten the festival's professional chorus, now called the Berwick Chorus of the Oregon Bach Festival. In 2010, they received the festival's highest honor, the Saltzman Award, "presented only to individuals who have shown exceptionally high levels of leadership and commitment to help the festival achieve its mission."

To learn more, visit giving.uoregon.edu/berwick.

With their family looking on, Cheryl Ramberg Ford '66 and Allyn Ford join the Duck to cut the ribbon at the new Cheryl Ramberg Ford and Allyn Ford Alumni Center. Joining them are (left to right) their niece Heather Hodges and nephew Drew Hodges (holding Ramberg Ford's great nieces), Ramberg Ford's sister-in-law Stephanie Ramberg, and brother Don Ramberg.



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Open for Business and Pleasure *Continued from page 1*

Comfortable couches and a fireplace in the Susie and Randy Papé Hearth Foyer make the first floor a welcoming space to study or just hang out. A digital interpretive center in the Tykeson Family Hall tells the UO story on six screens that run floor to ceiling. The Lee Barlow Giustina Ballroom and outdoor Donald R. Barker Courtyard provide ideal spaces for alumni and community events.

But it's not all fun and games. The center is the new starting point for campus tours and student orientation sessions, and university and community groups can use the meeting rooms and ballroom. It also houses the alumni association, development, and the UO Foundation.

To see video of the building and the event, visit giving.uoregon.edu/fac.

—Ed Dorsch

Thinking—and Acting—Globally

SCHOLARSHIPS GIVE EXCEPTIONAL STUDENTS THE OPPORTUNITY TO PURSUE BIG IDEAS

Take a look at Alex Goodell's curriculum vitae—from the bottom up. It's about what you'd expect from a distinguished academic: references from leading researchers around the country, honors, publications, presentations, and a listing of a half-dozen positions held in research and public health, at—among other places—Albert Einstein College of Medicine in New York, Clinica Familiar Luis Ángel García in Guatemala City, and Village Health Works in Burundi. Finally, at the top, his academic degrees.

Wait, he just earned his bachelor's degree? And he earned it from the Robert Donald Clark Honors College, where donor-funded scholarships help promising undergraduates pursue their dreams and, in the process, change the world.

Goodell '11 is a prime example of the genre. His performance at Tualatin High School—where he first developed an interest in global HIV-AIDS issues—landed him a Giustina Foundation Presidential Scholarship, covering his tuition and fees at the UO for four years. Freshman year, he was also awarded support from his debate team and the UO Alumni Association, as well as a merit scholarship from the College of Arts and Sciences. The biology major's freshman year classes further piqued Goodell's passion for public health, and he spent that summer in Guatemala working on his Spanish and shadowing a local physician.

More scholarships followed, including a Bowerman Scholarship, an Edward C. Sargent III Scholarship (see "Honorable Legacy," page 11), and a travel research grant. The grant helped Goodell fund a six-month volunteer

stint at a remote clinic in Burundi between his junior and senior years. On campus, Goodell cofounded Students for Global Health, helped organize a three-day conference on HIV-AIDS in Africa at the UO in 2009, spurred the UO's campuswide Common Reading project, and launched a successful effort to bring Tracy Kidder, author of *Mountains Beyond Mountains*, to speak at the Matthew Knight Arena last February.

Goodell credits the UO's generous scholarship support for allowing him to "pursue a very diverse and interesting set of extracurriculars" that time and money would not otherwise have allowed. And that support continues to pay dividends by broadening his postcollege options.

"Some of my friends have \$100,000 of debt," Goodell says. "Debt is already influencing their career choices. I can do public service or research."

Or both. Goodell spent the past summer interning at Blood Systems Research Institute in San Francisco, analyzing the cost-effectiveness of screening for an emerging threat to the country's blood supply. He's still deciding whether to pursue an MD, a PhD, or both.

"The University of Oregon provides an immense amount of resources that give students the ability to act on their ideas," Goodell says. Not the least of those resources are scholarships that help attract, retain, and inspire students of vision.

—Bonnie Henderson



PHOTO BY MICHAEL MCDERMOTT

After graduating with a bachelor's degree last spring, biology major Alex Goodell '11 started an internship at Blood Systems Research Institute in San Francisco. The Clark Honors College graduate says scholarships enabled him to participate in learning opportunities outside of the classroom.



Mary Corrigan Solari '46

A Leg Up for Oregonians 'Caught in the Middle' *Continued from page 1*

The announcement of Corrigan Solari's \$5 million gift made front-page news and received praise throughout Oregon. It will provide \$5,000 awards, renewable for up to four years, to 125 freshmen entering the UO in fall 2012 and another 125 in fall 2013.

UO President Richard Lariviere describes the dilemma facing middle-class students as urgent.

"It is especially critical in these difficult economic times that we attract and help support aspiring students," Lariviere said. "Mrs. Corrigan Solari's gift will make a tremendous difference in the lives of students and their families."

To apply for a Mary Corrigan and Richard Solari Scholarship, students must have earned GPAs of at least 3.60 while attending all four years of high school in Oregon. Their families must show financial need as defined by the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

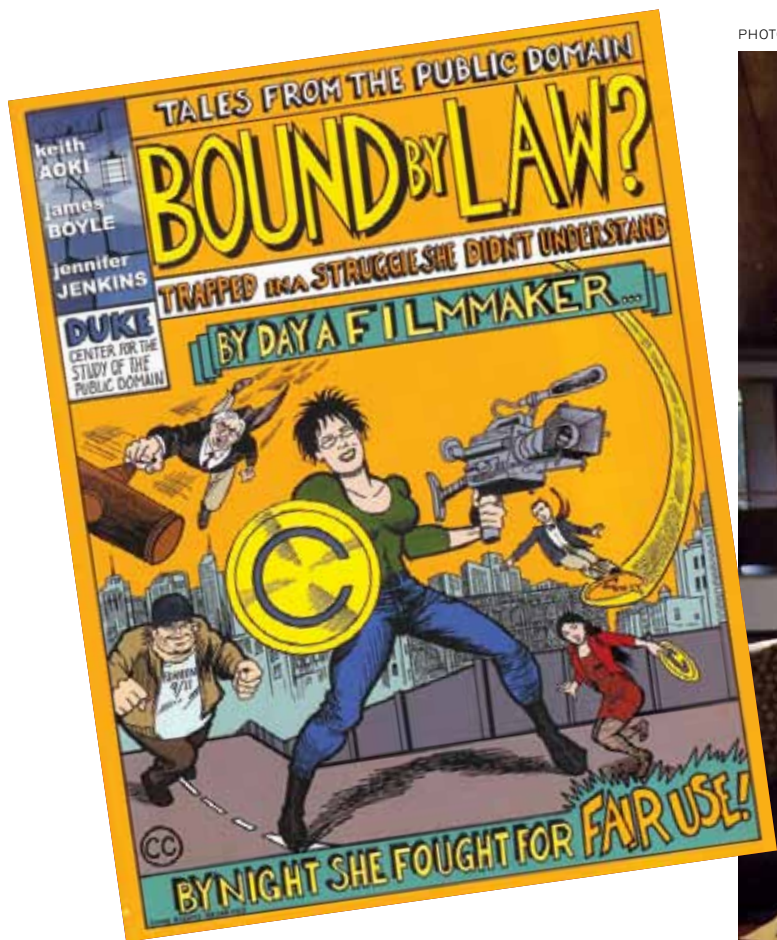
Scholarship recipients who maintain a 3.00 GPA and take at least 12 credits per term can renew their scholarships for up to four years.

Roger Thompson, vice provost for enrollment management, personally brought news of the new scholarships to high schools around the state, including Klamath Falls, where Corrigan Solari grew up. "Students already are interested in applying," he said.

After completing her studies at the UO, Mary Corrigan went on to work for NBC Radio, Radio Free Asia, and Bechtel Engineering before marrying Richard Solari and raising three daughters. He died in 2008, having retired in 1995 as chairman of the board of Granite Construction Company after capping a fifty-year career there as its CEO and president.

Over the years, the couple gave generously to support Presidential Scholarships and the UO Libraries, establishing endowments to fund the university historian-archivist position, information technology, library instructional services, faculty development, and digital library resources. They also contributed to the expansion of Knight Library during the late 1980s.

Read an editorial from *The Register-Guard* responding to Mary's gift at giving.uoregon.edu/solari.



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The late Keith Aoki was a Philip H. Knight Professor of Law at the UO from 2004 to 2007. A crusader for the public domain and intellectual property, Aoki published his scholarly work in leading legal journals and was invited to become a member of the prestigious American Law Institute.

Knight Professor Leaves a Legacy

COMMUNITY PAYS TRIBUTE TO ICONIC OREGON LAW PROFESSOR, KEITH AOKI, 1955–2011

“We miss Keith Aoki every day. I am grateful that we have Knight Professorships to attract and support world-class faculty members like Keith.”

—Michael Moffitt,
dean, School of Law

The story of the late Keith Aoki, Philip H. Knight Professor of Law from 2004 to 2007, starts with his journey from the Midwest to New York City to draw cartoons for an underground newspaper. On a dare, the starving artist applied to Harvard Law School and got in. After practicing technology law in Boston for two years, he headed west, to the University of Oregon School of Law in 1993.

Here is where his epic commitment as a teacher and brilliance as a law scholar were validated with the university’s sixteenth Knight Professorship, an endowment created in 1996 with a \$15 million gift from Penny and Philip Knight ’59.

“We miss Keith Aoki every day,” said Michael Moffitt, dean of the School of Law. “Keith left a rich, vibrant legacy—one that will live on through his books, his graphic novels, his music, his students, and the many friends and colleagues whose professional lives he helped to shape. The memorial symposium is a beautiful tribute to him. I am grateful that we have Knight Professorships to attract and support world-class faculty members like Keith.”

Aoki became a crusader for the public domain and intellectual property. He published his scholarly work in leading legal journals and was invited to become a member of the prestigious American Law Institute. A gifted cartoonist, he cowrote two comic-style books, *Bound by Law* and *Theft: A History of Music*.

Following the announcement last spring that Professor Aoki, fifty-five, had died on April 26 after an extended illness, an outpouring of tributes from colleagues and students, both past and present, reflected on the enormous impact he had on the entire law community.

“Keith Aoki was an exceptionally creative and generous law scholar,” Margaret Hallock, director of the Wayne Morse Center for Law and Politics, posted. He was “fiercely independent, brilliant, energetic, and progressive. Now we can attempt to carry on in Keith’s footsteps.”

The School of Law and the Wayne Morse Center honored Aoki on October 1 with a symposium and memorial. Titled “(Un)Bound by Law: Keith Aoki Memorial Symposium,” the event featured discussions of the importance of his scholarship in intellectual property, local government law, civil rights, and critical race theory. It also encompassed a tribute to Aoki’s passion for music, with a concert by the Garden Weasels, the law faculty band in which he had played.

At the time of Aoki’s death, he lived in Sacramento and was a professor of law at the University of California at Davis School of Law.

To read online remembrances of Keith Aoki, go to law.uoregon.edu/news/aoki.

—Cheri O’Neil

'Giant' Gift Helps Cinema Studies Students

John Kerr '07,
director of business
development for Red
Giant Software.

“I really wanted
to show our
appreciation to the
UO, for the great
experience it gave
me as a student
and for giving us
such a talented
group to help run
the company.”

—John Kerr '07



PHOTOS BY MICHAEL McDERMOTT; PHOTO ILLUSTRATION BY DYLAN LEEDS '09 USING RED GIANT SOFTWARE

November 2009: As Ducks football winds to the end of a Pac-10 championship season, three UO seniors spend four days shooting and editing an original music video to express their passionate fandom. They post it to YouTube, and, within days, *I Love My Ducks* goes viral.

December 2009: John Kerr '07, Ducks fan and director of business development for Red Giant Software, has been closely following his team in its march toward the Rose Bowl. Along with a million-plus viewers, he clicks open *I Love My Ducks* on YouTube and immediately recognizes two things: These guys are good. And they must have used his company's special effects software to make their video.

April 2011: A sold-out crowd has packed the UO's Columbia Hall for the annual Adrenaline Film Project screening. A special announcement is made: Red Giant Software is donating more than \$138,000 worth of software to the UO's fledgling Cinema Studies Program.

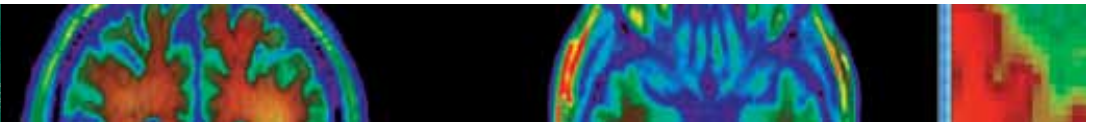
In art, as in life, timing is everything. And the timing of Red Giant Software's generous gift could not have been more fortuitous. Not yet three years old, the UO's Cinema Studies Program has already attracted nearly 300 majors; its first crop of two dozen graduates were handed their diplomas last June by legendary film director James Ivory '51.

Launching a new major isn't easy, especially one that draws on such a wide range of disciplines and skills, pulling faculty members from the College of Arts and Sciences, the School of Journalism and Communication, and the School of Architecture and Allied Arts. Cinema studies students not only study film theory but also practice production skills, which can require access to some spendy technology.

That's what makes Red Giant's gift of, among other things, 200 copies each of its Magic Bullet and Trapcode suites of software so valuable. "It's a really generous gift," says program director Kathleen Karlyn. "It deepens and enriches what our students can do with the resources already available to them. I love the fact that a company like Red Giant would want to contribute something that our students can really use."

The donation gave Red Giant Software the opportunity to help launch "an awesome new program" at the UO, Kerr says. "I really wanted to show our appreciation to the UO, for the great experience it gave me as a student and for giving us such a talented group to help run the company"—referring to the many UO graduates working for the nine-year-old Portland firm. "We plan to be charitable partners for a long time with the university, and"—he adds, not entirely tongue-in-cheek—"hope to see one of these kids make the next *2 Fast 2 Furious*."

—Bonnie Henderson



HIGHLIGHTING SOME OF THE WAYS YOU CAN MAKE AN IMPACT AT THE UNIVERSITY OF OREGON

1 Keep the Beat: The Oregon Marching Band must replace its drumline instruments every seven years to the tune of \$30,000—and will need to do so next for the 2013 season. And our lead trumpet players need eight new trumpets for the Marching Band and Green and Yellow Garter Bands. Contact DeNel Stoltz: denel@uoregon.edu, 541-346-5687.

2 Help the Library, Help Students: The UO Libraries is the largest academic student employer on campus. Due to decreased state funding, the library has had to turn away hundreds of students seeking employment. Your gift of \$3,800 to the Student Employee Fund would employ one student part time for a full academic year, helping students pay for their education while developing valuable workplace skills. Contact Lisa Manotti: lmanotti@uoregon.edu, 541-346-1823.

3 Endowed Graduate Scholarships: These will give the Lundquist College of Business the resources to compete with

well-funded institutions for stellar applicants to its MBA, master of accounting, and PhD programs. Contact Katie Rohrer, senior director of development: krohrer@uoregon.edu, 541-346-8553.

4 Expand Student Horizons Close to Home: There's study abroad and then there's Oregon Abroad. This unique suite of courses sends undergraduates out for an exploration of the geology and biology of Oregon while grounding them in the fundamentals of Oregon's environmental history. Contact College of Arts and Sciences Development, 541-346-3950.

5 Foster a Future Environmental Leader: The Environmental Leadership Program (ELP) gives students opportunities to team with government agencies, non-profit organizations, and local businesses to work on real-world environmental projects. ELP projects offer students capstone learning experiences that put their academic work into practice. Contact College of Arts and Sciences Development, 541-346-3950.

6 Support the Growth of the Oregon Economic Forum (OEF): The OEF brings timely, in-depth analysis of national and local economic issues to Oregon businesses and leadership. With annual events in Portland, Bend, and Salem—led by UO economist Tim Duy—the OEF examines what's in store for the economy, both in Oregon and nationwide. Contact College of Arts and Sciences Development, 541-346-3950.

7 Sponsor the Production of *nomad*: This journal of writing by undergraduates who have received mentorship from volunteer faculty members and graduate students of the program. This journal makes a huge impact on students in the department and is produced on a shoestring. Contact College of Arts and Sciences Development, 541-346-3950.

8 Get Behind the Camera: Cinema studies is an interdisciplinary program, bringing together arts and sciences, journalism and communication, and digital arts. After only two years, the

program has 300 students and graduated its first class this past spring. A technology fund would help students purchase equipment and ensure that the program is accessible to all students. Contact College of Arts and Sciences Development, 541-346-3950.

9 The Gift That Goes Places: Fund a travel scholarship for humanities and doctoral students studying foreign languages who need to access original texts and art. Students in Judaic studies can participate in archaeological digs in Israel. English majors have traveled to the Bloomsbury neighborhood of London. Contact College of Arts and Sciences Development, 541-346-3950.

10 Foster Connections and Inspiration: Advance the professional possibilities of female students in computer science by supporting the Women in Computer Sciences invited-speaker series. Contact College of Arts and Sciences Development, 541-346-3950.



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Wells Fargo executive Steve Ellis, MBA '87, in the canopy with Jason Seppa, one of the tree climbing guides from the Pacific Tree Climbing Institute. Ellis helped launch two new projects—Canopy Connections and Know Your Watershed—with two gifts totaling \$75,000.



PHOTO BY KATIE NUSBAUM

Across the University, Donors Make the Difference

A group of grateful graduates pool their funds—and the historic building where they studied for four years is updated for a new generation. A federal agency recognizes the standout performance of an academic center—and the center gets a four-year grant to expand its programs.

Gifts to the UO come in all shapes and sizes, sometimes tailored to fit the needs of a specific department, program, or project. They're helping to reshape the university to meet the needs of today's students and faculty members.

FUNDING SPECIAL PROJECTS

Environmentalist executive helps train next generation

Hundreds of students have participated in the UO's unique Environmental Leadership Program since it was launched a decade ago. Wells Fargo executive Steve Ellis, MBA '87, who has championed his company's "green investing" efforts, helped launch two new projects—Canopy Connections and Know Your Watershed—with two gifts totaling \$75,000.

Leading bank invests in UO economics

With its sold-out annual conferences and keenly followed indices of economic indicators, the Oregon Economic Forum has become the state's go-to source for business forecasting. Annual gifts of \$26,000—recently increased to \$28,000—from Key Bank have helped make it possible.

Risky business: Pragmatic advice for future filmmakers

How can you make a living making movies? UO students find out firsthand in informal talks with directors, actors, screenwriters, and editors. The Cinema Studies Program's Working Filmmaker Series was funded with a \$25,000 gift from Nancy and David Petrone '66.

ADVANCING CAPITAL PROJECTS

Updating geography's built environment

While awaiting a seismic retrofit for its Condon Hall home, the Department of Geography is renovating its administrative suite, thanks in part to a gift of \$40,000 from longtime donors Nancy and David Petrone '66. The Petrones have challenged UO geography alumni to support the project as well, resulting in a groundswell of gifts. The renovation will be complete this fall.

Individual gifts to math department add up

Alumni returning to Fenton Hall this fall will be pleased to see its historic façade refreshed and its interior updated following a major seismic retrofit. The new furnishings came from 200 math graduates, who collectively chipped in \$100,000, and from David Moursund '58 and his late wife, Sharon Yoder. Their gift refreshed the library named in honor of David's father, mathematics professor Andrew Moursund.

Bold philanthropy funds landmark science facility

When it opens in fall 2012, the Lewis Integrative Science Building will house research in fields ranging from the human brain to solar energy. Donors contributed generously to the construction of this \$65 million facility.

Coming to Coos Bay: Marine science for everybody

The Charleston Marine Life Center, opening in 2012, will not only enrich the Oregon Institute of Marine Biology's educational outreach to local schoolchildren but will also

educate travelers headed to nearby Cape Arago. Major gifts from the Coquille Tribal Community Fund, Bandon Dunes developer Mike Keiser, and others made the \$550,000 project possible.

EXPANDING TEACHING AND RESEARCH

Endowed chair boosts history's westward expansion

Rocky Dixon '78 parlayed a passion for western American history into the Rocky and Julie Dixon Chair of U.S. Western History. A donation of \$1.2 million launched the endowment, and a second gift of \$500,000 shortened the wait for the chair's first occupant: distinguished historian Marsha Weisiger, who arrived last January.

Grant helps Asian studies center grow

Designation of the UO's Center for Asian and Pacific Studies (CAPS) as a National Resource Center for East Asian studies in 2010 came with a four-year, \$1.8 million grant from the U.S. Department of Education. CAPS works closely with the UO's Asian Studies Program, which celebrates its seventieth anniversary in 2012.

Talk of the town: One donor makes a difference for women's studies

Pioneering journalist and feminist Jane Grant of New York never even visited the UO. But after her death in 1972, her husband, *Fortune* editor William Harris, recognized the UO's potential to carry on Grant's legacy. His \$3.5 million bequest helped put the Center for the Study of Women in Society on the map.

Allen Hall Expansion Moving Forward

SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM AND COMMUNICATION CELEBRATES PROGRESS ON ALLEN HALL TRANSFORMATION



PHOTO BY JACK LIU

Tim Gleason, Edwin L. Artzt Dean of the School of Journalism and Communication, and Gayle Timmerman, a member of the Journalism Advancement Council, sign their names on a brick wall in the dean's office that will be covered during the \$15 million renovation and expansion of Allen Hall.

The university usually discourages students from writing on campus buildings. But on October 28, they scrawled with impunity as student leaders, faculty members, donors, legislators, and members of the Journalism Advancement Council gathered to celebrate progress on the \$15 million renovation and expansion of Allen Hall.

The group wrote words of wisdom and inspiration for future generations of students on the brick walls of the dean's office that will be covered during the construction process.

After writing their own dedications, Edwin L. Artzt Dean Tim Gleason and University of

Oregon President Richard Lariviere thanked everyone for coming.

"Here in the heart of campus, we will continue a tradition that began nearly 100 years ago of leading the way in journalism education," Gleason said. "We are well on our way to building the journalism school of the future."

In 2009, the Oregon legislature approved \$7.5 million in general obligation bonds for the renovation and expansion. A \$5 million anonymous lead gift and gifts from alumni, friends, and employees of the school have contributed nearly \$6.5 million to the project.

"The professional mission of the School of Journalism and Communication, a storied journalism program with a 100-year history, is built on a solid foundation in the liberal arts," said UO President Richard Lariviere. "The expansion and transformation of Allen Hall in the heart of campus will enable the school to remain integrated, physically and intellectually, into the life of this great university."

See more photos and learn about the project at giving.uoregon.edu/sojc.



Steve Huter (second from right) and Jose Dominguez (fourth from right) of the Network Startup Resource Center (NSRC) at the University of Oregon, with the team creating the first Internet exchange point in Bouillier, Haiti, in May 2009. The NSRC helps build and enhance Internet infrastructure in developing countries.

Google Gifts to UO's Network Startup Resource Center Expand International Cyberinfrastructure

Vint Cerf, Google's vice president and chief Internet evangelist, says the decision to give more than \$1.5 million to the Network Startup Resource Center (NSRC) at the University of Oregon earlier this year was simple.

"Google tries very hard to leverage the effects of its gifts, and the Network Startup Resource Center has proved to deliver a strong amplifying factor," says Cerf. "Our gifts have been multiplied many times over. You can't buy that—you have to look for it and hope you find it."

The NSRC helps build and enhance Internet infrastructure in developing countries. Its roots date back to the late 1980s, when computer networking experts Randy Bush, who developed the first wholesale Internet service provider in Oregon, and John Klensin, who was then at MIT, teamed up to help to establish Internet connectivity in several countries in Asia, Latin America, and Africa.

The NSRC was formalized in 1992 by Bush and Klensin with support from the National Science Foundation (NSF) to provide technical assistance to U.S. scientists working with universities and research institutes in developing areas; it has been consistently funded by the NSF since that time.

Steve Huter joined the NSRC in 1993 as a volunteer and is now its director. One of his first tasks: synthesizing information collected by Bush and Klensin to develop a database to answer simply the question, "How do you get Internet access in country X? . . . from Afghanistan to Zimbabwe," Huter says.

The NSRC moved officially to the UO in 1996 with its second grant award from the NSF. With twelve

paid staff members and "about 100 longtime volunteers," the NSRC has worked in more than 100 countries to help build their portions of the Internet. The NSRC's work has also helped with communications and technology recovery in times of disaster, such as during the January 2010 Haiti earthquake.

It is, as one of Huter's colleagues described it, "an elite group of traveling geeks," bringing expertise, equipment, and training to the poorest and least-connected places to help build and maintain affordable and sustainable systems.

"I think of them as twenty-first-century pioneers, helping to open up new Internet territory," smiles Cerf.

Funds from Google, in conjunction with other sources, have fueled the development of workshops and training as well as hands-on network assistance all over the world. The NSRC has utilized some of the Google gift funding for its educational programs and direct engineering assistance with colleagues in Sri Lanka, Thailand, Laos, Cambodia, Vietnam, Ghana, Senegal, Kenya, Tanzania, Fiji, Guatemala, and Nepal thus far this year. With a mix of funding from Google and the NSF, the NSRC organized a workshop on science and cyberinfrastructure in Africa at the National Center for Atmospheric Research (NCAR) in Boulder, Colorado, in August. Several new collaborations have already developed between the NSRC, the University Corporation for Atmospheric Research Africa program, Unidata at NCAR, and several African universities and research institutions that sent scientists and network engineers to participate.

"The NSRC team appreciates the recognition and support from Google to scale up technical assistance for expanding Internet resources and valuable new content with research and education networks in Africa, Asia-Pacific, and Latin America," says Huter.

Cerf, who (with computer scientist Bob Kahn) is recognized as one of the fathers of the Internet, calls that team "phenomenal."

"Steve has personally established a philosophy that it's not about computers and routers but about people," Cerf says. "He treats everyone with great respect. They don't just parachute in, set up, and leave, but understand the importance of sustainability."

Since 2006, Google has been providing the NSRC with millions of dollars worth of retired equipment, specifically routers, wireless equipment, and switches that are expensive and often difficult to obtain. The NSRC coordinates these donations and is, according to Cerf, "probably the most effective way of getting this equipment to the people who can use it."

"I can't imagine a better use of our dollars," says Cerf.

NSRC engineering and training teams are seemingly everywhere: Guatemala and Nepal in September, Ecuador and Senegal in October, Ghana and New Caledonia in November, and Vietnam in December. For a comprehensive list of NSRC activities by year, visit nsrc.org/where.

—Zanne Miller

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—Vint Cerf,
Vice President
and Chief Internet
Evangelist, Google,
about the NSRC

Creating Entrepreneurs

STUDENTS BENEFIT FROM GIFTS TO UNIVERSITY VENTURE DEVELOPMENT FUND



PHOTO BY MICHAEL MCDERMOTT

Liz Holsapple, JD '11, developed an award-winning business plan for a promising UO medical discovery, a project made possible by donor support of the University Venture Development Fund.

Your gifts help propel UO students into the real world in ways that capitalize on innovative research discoveries.

Take Liz Holsapple, JD '11, for instance. She gained entrepreneurial savvy through training supported by the UO's donor-powered University Venture Development Fund (UVDF).

Liz and her fellow students learned how to mine the commercial potential of research not only at the UO but also through partner institutions including the Pacific Northwest National Laboratory and leading companies such as Microsoft.

For Liz, leader of the Mosaic Genetics team, the process culminated in being named this year's Outstanding Student in Law and Entrepreneurship.

Kimberly Andrews Espy, the UO's new vice president for research and innovation

and dean of the graduate school, says the UO program breaks the mold by teaming students from business, law, journalism and communication, and the sciences.

"Gifts support University of Oregon programs that galvanize our faculty's innovative spirit and ignite the entrepreneurial zeal of exceptionally talented students," Espy said.

What's more, Oregonians who donate can receive a 60 percent credit against state income taxes.

Students supported by gifts to the fund excel in major business plan competitions from Bangkok to Hong Kong to Winnipeg, and at many major competitions around the U.S.

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Clark Honors College graduate Josh Lupton '11 is pursuing a graduate degree at the University of Cambridge as a Marshall Scholar. Lupton is one of fifteen students who have benefitted from the scholarship honoring Dr. Edward C. Sargent III '73.

Honorable Legacy

DOCTOR'S PASSION FOR MEDICINE CONTINUES THROUGH SUCCESS OF HONORS COLLEGE GRADUATES

Dr. Edward C. Sargent III '73 was passionate about community health, his medical practice, and inspiring the next generation of health-care professionals. Today, his legacy lives on through the success of the UO graduates who have received Edward C. Sargent III Scholarships.

Sargent graduated Phi Beta Kappa with a bachelor's degree in biology. He attended Case Western Reserve University School of Medicine, becoming the school's first fourth-generation graduate. Sargent returned to Oregon to practice medicine in Eugene, Corvallis, and Albany. An avid outdoorsman, he enjoyed hiking in the Three Sisters Wilderness and once navigated the length of the Grand Canyon on the Colorado River in an inflatable kayak.

For more than a decade, Sargent taught a Clark Honors College colloquium, *Frontiers in Medicine*, with now-retired adjunct assistant professor Dennis Todd. Through the course, which featured guest lecturers and tours of medical facilities, Dr. Sargent exposed students to the medical profession's technical, ethical, and political problems and possibilities.

After Sargent died in 1998, his wife, Kim, and his parents, Dr. and Mrs. E. C. Sargent Jr., established the scholarship for Clark Honors College students majoring in a health-care preparatory program or a natural science. The university gives preference to students who combine qualities of idealism, commitment to humanity, openness to alternatives, love of the outdoors, and an interest in preserving and protecting the environment.

To date, fifteen scholarship recipients have graduated from the Clark Honors College. This fall, four more students in the honors college began the academic year with support from the scholarship. Dr. Sargent's legacy lives on.

Sargent Scholarship winners graduate, go onto achieve great things

Dreams of becoming a surgeon

Currently a global health and surgery research fellow at Children's Hospital, Boston, Ian Metzler '07 is studying how to reshape health-care finance in response to the new health-care reform act and hopes to become a surgeon.

Marshall Scholar

The recipient of two Sargent Scholarships during his undergraduate years, Josh Lupton '11 is pursuing a graduate degree at the University of Cambridge as a Marshall Scholar before returning to the U.S. to attend the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine.

Future ophthalmologist

In May 2012, Grace Wang '05 will graduate from the MD-PhD program at the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine and begin a clinical residency in ophthalmology. "Receiving the Sargent Scholarship meant a great deal to me," says Wang. "Medicine has such a long training program that it is nice to know there is someone who has done it before, and it felt great to be recognized for my achievements as an undergraduate."

—Renee Dorjahn



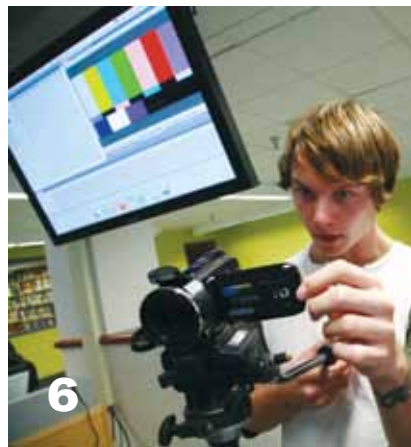
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Strong Support

GIVING INCREASES NEARLY 10 PERCENT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2011

For the fourth year running, gifts to the university topped \$100 million for fiscal year 2011, proving that Ducks flock together in tough economic times.

Gifts and pledges exceeded \$116.9 million, said Norm Brown Jr. '68, chair of the UO Foundation Board of Trustees.

“That’s an increase of nearly 10 percent compared to the previous year and the third highest total ever,” said Brown, senior managing director of Manhattan-based Brock Capital. “Your generosity is having an immediate and enduring impact that’s visible the moment you step onto campus.”

In addition to outright gifts and pledges, donors also created or added to existing

endowment gifts. These provide a stable source of ongoing funding for scholarships, faculty support, and programs across the university.

As of this fall, state support dropped to 5.7 percent even as the university prepared to serve record numbers of students. Declining state funds, coupled with rising costs, have forced the university to raise tuition by 9 percent.

Brown praised the UO Foundation’s investment performance during the last decade, which he says ranks it among the top 16 percent nationally for similar institutions. As of June 30, the UO Foundation managed an endowment of \$467 million.



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Norm Brown Jr. '68 appreciates that giving to the UO remains strong despite the challenging economy. He chairs the UO Foundation Board of Trustees.