



Off to the Races

The University of Oregon's Lewis Center for Neuroimaging is named in honor of **Bob '46** and **Beverly Lewis '48**, whose gift enabled the UO to purchase a fMRI machine. In addition to their generosity to the UO, the Lewises have also earned national fame through the success of their stable of winning race horses, two of which have competed (wearing UO colors) for the Triple Crown. What were the names of the two horses that both won the Kentucky Derby and Belmont Stakes before losing in the Preakness? And in what year did each horse compete?

Ten winners will be drawn from the pool of correct responses, and winners will receive a special UO prize. E-mail your answer, along with your name, address, and class year to uotrivia@duckalumni.org. Entries are due by April 23, 2004. One entry per person each calendar year. Winners must be current UO Alumni Association members.

Winter 2003 Answer



John Wesley Johnson, the University of Oregon's first president, is the one who took a most unusual path to the UO presidency, not learning the alphabet until he was ten years old, walking across the Oregon Trail, and teaching Greek and Latin while president. Our winners were **Jennifer Archer '91** of Portland; **Susan Hernandez '74** of Pleasanton, California; **Bill Hettick '56** of Portland; **Violet Johnson '76 M.S. '90** of Eugene; **Lee Nash Ph.D. '61** of Newberg; **Jim Roberts '55** of Olympia; **Theresa Tenney '90** of Carnation, Washington; and **Roxanne Wilkins '86 M.S. '96** of Eugene.

EDUCATION

\$10 Million Gift Launches Building Campaign

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA-BASED HEDCO Foundation has pledged \$10 million as a lead gift to support a new education complex for the University of Oregon College of Education. The new building at the center of the project, which also will include extensive renovation and expansion of existing facilities, will be called the HEDCO Education Building.

UO President **Dave Frohnmayer** and College of Education Dean **Martin Kaufman** announced the gift and naming in a news conference March 9.

The gift — the largest donation ever made to the UO College of Education — launches a fund-raising initiative to build a state-of-the-art education complex at the college's current location.

"We are delighted with the HEDCO Foundation's very generous gift," says Frohnmayer. "This new complex for the College of Education is vitally important to the University of Oregon and to the state. It will help the college become even more effective and innovative as it prepares education professionals, assists school districts around the state and conducts the research for which it receives national acclaim."

The new facilities will add 100,000 square feet of teaching and research space and will feature specialized areas for developing instructional assessment tools, designing curriculum and demonstrating the latest teaching methods for math and science. The complex also will include a teaching performance studio and an integrated clinic for professional training. In addition, the clinic spaces will be used to provide community services in counseling and speech-hearing-language disorders.

"The planned new complex will allow the college to meet this need and also provide dedicated space for students to collaborate and meet with peers and faculty," says Dean Kaufman. "It will, in fact, set a new standard in the way educators and clinicians are prepared for professional practice."

"The HEDCO Foundation has chosen to make the lead gift for this critical venture with the hope that it will inspire others to step forward and help make this project a reality," says HEDCO board president **Dody Jernstedt**, an alumna of the College of Education and a former trustee of the University of Oregon Foundation.

The College of Education expects to raise half the construction cost through private gifts. The university will seek legislative support of bonding authority to help complete the project.

Recognized as a national leader, the UO College of Education is ranked the No. 2 public education college in the nation by

U.S. News & World Report. Education faculty have brought \$147 million in grants to the university in the last decade — \$23 million last year alone — attracting more federal dollars for research than any other education college in the nation.

"The University of Oregon's College of Education has and will continue to play a key role in our children's future through research and professional training," says



Building the Future

Two major gifts strengthen university programs

Oregon Governor **Ted Kulongoski**. "I congratulate the university on this important lead gift and thank the HEDCO Foundation for its investment in our state. This new educational facility will set a new standard for preparation of educators and clinicians, serving students and helping Oregon schools and communities meet the developmental and educational needs of their students and families in the 21st century."

HEDCO is a private foundation that supports a wide range of philanthropy.

Its current gift to the education college is one of the largest grants it has ever made.

ENGLISH & ART HISTORY

Couple's Gift Endows Chair, Scholarship

ADMIRATION for a former professor and love of literature and art motivated a University of Oregon alumnus and his wife to fund an endowed professorship in Shakespeare and a student scholarship in

art history.

Robert Ph.D. '66 and **Gloria Lee's** donation, when fully funded, will provide more than \$1 million to the university. The Lees live in Santa Cruz, Calif.

The position will be named in honor of **A. Kingsley Weatherhead**, an emeritus professor of modern literature who was Lee's teacher and adviser when he was pursuing his doctorate in English at the UO from 1961–66.

"This gift honors the legacy of Professor Weatherhead, who became renowned to hundreds, if not thousands, of students studying modern literature at the University of Oregon," says **Joe Stone**, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences.

Lee remembers Weatherhead as a "gentleman" who sharpened his reading and writing skills and inspired him to be respectful of students in his own teaching. Lee taught literature, art history and other humanities courses at California State University at San Bernardino from 1968–92.

"Students will say or write silly things sometimes, and it's easy to mock or criticize, but that's discouraging to students,"

Lee says. "Professor Weatherhead was gentle with students, and I tried to take the same approach in my own teaching."

Weatherhead, who lives in Eugene, says he was very flattered by the Lees' decision to name the professorship in his honor. He suggested the Shakespeare emphasis because "Shakespeare is the best and must always be a part of instruction at any great university or any minor university."

The professorship will be established with funds from a charitable trust and a bequest after the Lees' deaths.

Warren Ginsberg, head of the English department, says the endowed position

will strengthen the department's already distinguished teaching and research in Renaissance studies and will benefit many students. About 700 students, both majors and nonmajors, take courses in Shakespeare each year.

The first **Gloria Tovar Lee Scholarship in Art History** will be awarded for the 2004–2005 school year. The Lees say they funded this scholarship because of their avid interest in art. They are art collectors and have traveled to museums around the world. Gloria Lee, who worked in the University of Oregon's Robert D. Clark Honors College when the couple lived in Eugene, was a first- and second-grade teacher in the San Bernardino School District from 1977–96.

"The gift from Bob and Gloria Lee stands out because it will truly 'transform lives,'" says **Robert Melnick**, dean of the UO School of Architecture and Allied Arts. "With the UO's fund-raising efforts concentrating on the impact of donations to support teaching and expand opportunities for students, the Lees' gift addresses critical needs of art history students."