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Dear Fellow Alumni and Friends,

As we set out on another academic year at Eastern Oregon University, I am pleased to welcome our new and returning students, faculty and staff to the Mountaineer family.

We have identified an ambitious set of goals focused on student success, financial sustainability, and engagement with rural communities. "The Ascent 2029," a comprehensive strategic plan adopted by the Board of Trustees this spring, incorporates all areas of the university and provides benchmarks and objectives against which we can measure our progress.

Our strategic aims include:

- (1) propelling students toward graduation and successful careers,
- (2) enriching the academic experience through real-world learning,
- (3) reaching a growing number of individuals,
- (4) developing our thriving university community,
- (5) building meaningful relationships with organizations and leaders across the state, and
- (6) securing the university's future financially.

Running parallel to these goals are EOU's new Values and Principles. A collaborative group of faculty, students and staff developed six key institutional values. They are: altruism, civility, discovery, integrity, interdependence, and quality.

To help drive these plans, I am thrilled that we have our leadership team fully in place. Join me in welcoming Vice President for Student Affairs Lacy Karpilo; Dean of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences Nate Lowe; Dean of Science, Technology, Mathematics and Health Sciences Peter Geissing; and Executive Director of Regional Outreach and Innovation David Vande Pol. Their commitment to this institution and its vision is remarkable and will help us to achieve new heights.

Guided by our collective goals and values and powered by the contributions of passionate alumni and friends, I am confident EOU has the tools to distinguish itself as a leading regional university.

We have set the bar high, and as we embark on this journey toward our 100th anniversary, I look forward to your support and engagement and continue to be certain that *together, it's possible*.

Sincerely,

Thomas A. Insko, '94
President



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Board updates trustee roster

Four individuals nominated by Oregon Governor Kate Brown and confirmed by the state senate have joined EOU's Board of Trustees this year: Nicole Almanza, Helen Moore, Linda Reed-Jerofke and Brad Stephens.

Almanza is an on-campus student and current president of Latino Impact, a club promoting Latino culture at EOU. She is also an active member of the International Student Association and an EOU Ambassador. She is majoring in pre-optometry and physical activity and health with a concentration in health and wellness.



Nicole Almanza



Helen Moore

Moore is a classified staff member with a 36-year employment history at EOU. She is active in the shared governance process and has been involved in leadership of SEIU 503 Local #081 for the past 20 years, most recently as secretary-treasurer. She is also finishing a second two-year term as a member of the SEIU State Board of Directors. An alumna of the university, she holds a bachelor's of science in history and is a purchasing agent in the Information Technology department.

Reed-Jerofke is an applied anthropologist and professor of anthropology at EOU. She has cultivated relationships with regional tribes, and federal and state agencies through her work

and has professional connections with the area business community as a Rotarian. She also brings detailed knowledge of the Associated Academic Professionals contract, which covers teaching faculty. She holds a doctorate of anthropology from the University of Oregon.

Stephens is replacing Tom Insko as a voting member of the board following Insko's appointment as EOU president. A retired orthopedic surgeon from Wallowa County, Stephens is a former team physician for EOU where he helped teach courses on athletic injuries. He was also the medical director of the United States Olympic Training Center in Lake Placid, New York. He served as secretary to the EOU Foundation Board of Directors for the past two years and is the current chair of Wallowa Resources, a nonprofit organization. He holds a doctor of medicine degree from Tufts University School of Medicine and completed his orthopedic residency at Dartmouth Medical School.

Students, staff and faculty serve two-year appointments on the board, while EOU's president and 11 community positions serve four-year terms. Total board membership is 15 and service is voluntary.

For more information visit www.eou.edu/governance. ■



Linda Reed-Jerofke



Brad Stephens

Karpilo joins EOU as VP for student affairs



EOU welcomed Lacy Karpilo, Ph.D., as its vice president for student affairs in February. She most recently served as interim associate vice chancellor for enrollment at the University of Alaska Anchorage.

Karpilo's experience ranges from new student recruitment and orientation to academic advising and TRiO student support services. She has also worked with military, veteran and native student services, among many other areas.

"Dr. Karpilo is a rising star in the student affairs field as demonstrated by her promotions and progressive executive responsibility," said Tom Insko, EOU president. "Lacy offers a depth of knowledge and a perspective to lead the division of student affairs and work collaboratively with students, faculty and staff to move EOU forward."

Karpilo holds a doctorate in education and human resources from Colorado State University and her professional experience includes working in behavioral and mental health. ■

On the cover: A captivating sea nettle greets visitors entering the Canaccord Financial Exploration Gallery at the Vancouver Aquarium in British Columbia, Canada, where EOU alumnus Dr. John Nightingale is the president and CEO. *Photo property of Vancouver Aquarium.*

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A commitment to community

OTEC provides scholarships for local EOU students pursuing their dreams

By Lisa Jacoby | OTEC

Marissa Spry is the first in her family to graduate from high school, and the first to attend college. And that accomplishment, says the EOU freshman, was driven by her desire to be a role model for her seven younger siblings.



Marissa Spry

"I felt like they didn't have anyone to look up to," she said. "They needed someone to show them it's possible. I have a lot of goals in life and I can't achieve them without a higher education."

Spry, 18, is a graduate of La Grande High School. A big piece of achieving her college goal was receiving a \$5,000 scholarship from Oregon Trail Electric Cooperative. For the 2016-2017 school year, OTEC awarded eight \$5,000 scholarships to students who are currently enrolled at EOU.

"It meant everything to me," she said. "I come from a super low-income household. I didn't think I was going to be able to go (to college)."

Although this is her freshman year, her credits are enough to be at a sophomore status. She is majoring in chemistry-biochemistry and her goal is to specialize in oncology, an interest piqued during a one-week MedQuest program when she learned about different occupations.

"When I helped in oncology, so much was intriguing," she said. "It made me want to learn more."

Trevor Verhelst, a graduate of Union High School, really likes the straightforward nature of math – and that's one of the reasons he's

majoring in the subject at EOU.

"It's more systematic and organized. There's not a lot of randomness," he said.

When Verhelst, who is now 19, was looking at college, he knew he wanted to minimize the use of loans.

"When I go through life, I want to get the least amount of loans as possible," he said. "It just adds on stress."

He said receiving a \$5,000 scholarship from OTEC really helped him feel more secure about college. "It was a huge stress relief, an ease of mind," he said.

Although his major is mathematics, his true goal is to work with computers – but in "technical lab work" to actually build the machines, as opposed to programming.

Verhelst said a degree is just the first step into the computer industry – then it's all hands-on experience.

"Once you get into a career, it's all about the training," he said.

Each year, OTEC awards 28 \$5,000 scholarships to students throughout the service territory. The awards are available to first-time college students, returning college students and students who wish to pursue a career in the electrical energy industry. Applications are made available Nov. 1 each year.

OTEC, as a non-profit, member-owned cooperative, funds its scholarships from interest earned on unclaimed capital credits and their earnings.

Visit www.otecc.com for more information.



Trevor Verhelst



An F-16 pilot gets the “thumbs up” prior to an early morning training run at Kingsley Field in Klamath Falls. Photo by Andrew Mariman, KCC.

Base to Bachelor’s creates path

By Laura Hancock

Students enlisting in the U.S. Air Force can take their careers to a higher altitude with a bachelor’s of applied science in business administration from EOU.

The university is partnering with Klamath Community College’s (KCC) Base to Bachelor’s program to create a smooth ascent for those who have already completed an associate degree.

“The program is for students who, due to their interests or career path, want to move on to complete a degree that isn’t a liberal arts focus,” said Dan Mielke, interim dean of EOU’s Colleges of Business and Education. “It allows them to obtain advanced study to better fulfill their career goals.”

Students still working on their Community College of the Air Force requirements can be admitted to the Base to Bachelor’s program simultaneously. Lower division courses will be offered through KCC, and when students are ready to transfer to EOU, an advisor will work with them one-on-one.

Kerry Thompson is EOU’s military and veteran coordinator. In addition to ensuring all the right courses are available to complete their degree, Thompson also serves as the students’ liaison to the financial aid office to verify Air Force Tuition Assistance benefits for those who qualify.

“Our partnership with KCC helps make the transition from a two-year college to a four-year university smooth and easy,” Thompson said. “Before students even complete their associate’s, they are put in contact with me so we can start working on their degree plan.”

KCC’s program is for Air Force students exclusively and all of the training they receive counts toward their associates of applied science degree. Courses completed from other accredited schools may also be transferable.

For more about the Base to Bachelor’s program and EOU’s military and veteran services, visit www.eou.edu/military. ■

Arbor Day Foundation awards EOU Tree Campus USA® recognition

Effective urban forest management has garnered EOU recognition as a 2016 Tree Campus USA® from the Arbor Day Foundation.

The honor was announced during a celebration of National Arbor Day which featured planting a Douglas fir on the site of a new grove of trees and native grasses in the quad.

David Yoder, campus grounds coordinator and ISA certified arborist, has been championing the cultivation of EOU’s urban forest and convened the tree advisory committee responsible for devising a long-term plan.

EOU is the sixth school in Oregon to meet Tree Campus USA’s five standards of maintaining a tree advisory committee, a campus tree-care plan, dedicated annual expenditures for its campus tree program, an Arbor Day observance and student service-learning project.

For more on the program visit arborday.org/TreeCampusUSA.



David Yoder, left, campus grounds coordinator, and Tom Insko, EOU president, display the plaque presented by Jamie Knight with the Oregon Department of Forestry. Photo by Laura Hancock.



Members of EOU's chapter of the American Chemical Society traveled to San Francisco in April to accept the Outstanding Award at the 253rd ACS National Meeting and Exposition. Submitted photo

Chemistry Club receives 7th consecutive award

By Laura Hancock

For the seventh consecutive time, the American Chemical Society recognized EOU's student chapter with the highest honor for activities during the 2015-16 academic year.

Members of EOU's chapter traveled to San Francisco in April to receive the Outstanding Award at the 253rd ACS National Meeting and Exposition. This year 46 chapters were recognized as outstanding, 93 as commendable and 145 received honorable mention.

EOU's club, along with Western Washington University's, are the only student chapters from the Pacific Northwest to garner outstanding distinction this year.

"This is such a great accomplishment, particularly because we are at a smaller institution," said Anna Cavinato, EOU chemistry professor and club advisor. "Our chapter continues to perform outstand-

ing work and I am amazed at the level of commitment of our students. We are also very grateful to the Richland Section of the American Chemical Society for their continued support of our community outreach events and for helping fund our trip to the national meeting."

Among the club's many noteworthy activities are events tailored for K-12 students. Its members also participate at the national ACS meetings where they present research posters and engage in networking opportunities.

Active involvement on campus is also taken into account, and club members played an integral role during the 15th annual Girls in Science program at EOU last October. Geared for girls in grades six through eight, the camp offers a full day of exploration in the collection and analysis of evidence related to a theme. The North-

east Oregon Area Health Education Center (NEOAHEC) collaborates with EOU to host the event.

The success of Girls in Science is in part what led to the ACS Richland Section's selection for a ChemLuminary Award for diversity. Presented in August, the prestigious national award is based on outreach activities to underrepresented groups in the sciences, including programs like Science Day with Native American children and Saturday Science hosted by NEOAHEC and EOU in Walla Walla County this year.

To learn more about EOU's chemistry-biochemistry program visit eou.edu/chem. For information on Girls in Science, Saturday Science and all the programs available through NEOAHEC and EOU, visit neoahec.org. ■

OHSU grant helps local activity program grow

By Laura Hancock

Efforts to address risk behaviors and improve overall health for cancer prevention often target adult populations, where cancer risk factors and behaviors are likely to have already taken root. But mounting evidence suggests there is a need for prevention programs at a younger age, too, as adolescence is a critical time for the adoption of behaviors that increase cancer risk. Adolescents appear to have an increased likelihood to adopt these behaviors, including smoking and inactivity, during unsupervised after-school hours. Several studies suggest that providing youth with non-competitive outdoor activities and helping them form healthy exercise habits can positively impact their long-term health and risk for cancer. New evidence has also linked leisure-time physical activity with lower risks for 26 types of cancers.

That's where a local initiative called the Get Outside – After School Activity Program (GO – ASAP) comes into play.

"It is imperative to initiate lifestyle activities during adolescence," said Kelly Rice, Ph.D., assistant professor of physical activity and health at EOU. Rice is the principle investigator for the grant-funded project launched in 2016 as a pilot at La Grande Middle School with \$25,000 awarded from the OHSU Knight Cancer Institute Community Partnership Program.

The first year proved a success and EOU's physical activity and health department has received an additional \$50,000 from OHSU to expand GO – ASAP to Baker County and continue the program in La Grande.

In addition to educating and promoting physical activity, the project aims to foster and develop positive self-efficacy, social support and autonomy within the partici-



pants. Results were evaluated at the end of the 20-week pilot.

"We measured changes in physical activity, behaviors and knowledge regarding healthy behaviors and cancer prevention and found increases in cancer prevention knowledge, as well as increases in physical activity and decreases in sedentary behavior," Rice explained.

Students who participated also indicated the program had a positive effect on their confidence and self-esteem, and would have a positive effect on their lifelong commitment to fitness.

"The results demonstrate that GO-ASAP is a success story that can be expanded to other Oregon middle

school students who do not participate in after-school programs or sports," Rice added.

Ultimately, Rice hopes to see a reduction in cancer risk behaviors in rural adolescents in La Grande and Baker City – and eventually – all of Northeastern Oregon.

"Introducing youth and teaching them how to engage in lifestyle outdoor activities can aid in preventing cancer development as they grow into adulthood," Rice said. "We are also seeing an increase in

positive attitudes and behaviors regarding anti-tobacco, alcohol and other drug use."

Senior capstone students from EOU are leading activities for youth from La Grande Middle School and teachers are coordinating the program with students at Baker Middle School. Snowshoeing, hiking, biking, climbing and backpacking are just a few of the activities organized to help students get outside and be active.

In addition to the grant, GO – ASAP is also made possible through collaborations with La Grande and Baker middle schools, La Grande Parks and Recreation, Union County Fit Kids Coalition, EOU's Outdoor Adventure Program, Anthony Lakes Mountain Resort, Mountain Works and Blue Mountain Outfitters.

The OHSU Knight Cancer Institute Community Partnership Program is designed to build sustainable collaborations with Oregon communities by providing grants and other resources to foster development of community-identified cancer prevention, early detection, and treatment and survivorship projects. The institute has made a decade-long commitment to invest in this program to develop robust, sustainable programs that benefit the health of all Oregonians. Additional information about the program is available on the OHSU Knight Cancer Institute's website. ■



New coaches join Mountaineer staff

KEN HUBER -- MEN'S SOCCER

Former assistant head coach at Olivet Nazarene University (Ill.) Ken Huber became the EOU men's soccer head coach in May 2017.

"Ken comes from a highly successful NAIA program,"

Athletic Director Anji Weissenfluh said.

"He has strong character, is passionate about the sport, and carries a deep knowledge of the game.

He is committed to providing a quality student-athlete experience and I know the Mountaineer family will welcome him with open arms."



Ken Huber

The ONU Tigers earned four conference titles and national tournament appearances during Huber's time as a coach there. He also coached goalkeepers for Lansing United of the National Premier Soccer League.

"I knew once I was on campus that the university was exactly what my wife and I had been waiting for," Huber said. "I immediately saw so much potential with the men's soccer program at EOU, from the culture, to the staff and players — I couldn't have asked for a better situation."

A 2010 Olivet alumnus in sports management, Huber was an all-conference

keeper for Northwood University (Mich.), before he transferred to Olivet in 2008. He returned to his alma mater as a graduate assistant after a two-year stint as goal-keeper coach for the Flint Arrows Soccer Club. He helped ONU to its first-ever NAIA tournament appearance and conference championship. The post at EOU is Huber's first head coaching experience, and he credits current ONU head coach David Blahnik for his success.

"Being Dave's assistant these past few years has helped me to not only grow in the game of soccer, but to lead a group of young men successfully on and off the soccer field," Huber said. "A successful college soccer coach is not only striving to recruit and develop his student-athletes, but also helps grow young men into mature responsible adults."

The EOU men's soccer team capped the season 11-6-1, 6-6-1 in conference play and missed the playoffs via a tie-breaker on the last day of the season.

CARLITO LABARDA JR. --

MEN'S BASKETBALL

Carlito Labarda Jr., became the 16th men's basketball head coach in program history this June.

"Carlito comes to us after a long and successful stint as an assistant coach under Dr. Carson Cunningham at Carroll College," Athletic Director Anji Weissen-

fluh said. "Carlito has helped established a tradition of excellence at Carroll and shares the core values of our department. He brings an ability to recruit quality student-athletes that are able to excel both in the classroom and on the court."



Carlito Labarda, Jr.

A native of San Pedro, Calif., Labarda spent the four previous seasons as an assistant coach at Carroll College. The Saints posted a 79-45 record during Labarda's four-year career there, and are coming off consecutive NAIA Division I quarterfinal appearances.

"I am very excited to join a special group of coaches at Eastern Oregon University, my visit to La Grande was an awesome experience," Labarda said. "From interacting with the community, to the student-athletes on campus, it's a place where I want to be and can't wait to get started! The amazing family culture established in the athletic department will make it a smooth transition for me as a coach, which I don't take for granted. I'm truly blessed to be a Mountaineer."

Labarda began his coaching journey at Purdue University, where he was the team's manager and student assistant coach from 1994 to 1999. Labarda gradu-



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Mountaineer Athletic Association
Scholarship Scramble

Friday, Oct. 6 Shotgun Start at 9:30 a.m.

Buffalo Peak Golf Course in Union, Ore.

ated from Purdue with a history degree and became good friends with Cunningham, who was a standout player and starter, after transferring from Oregon State.

"Carlito is a lifelong friend, tireless worker, and passionate basketball coach," Cunningham said. "It's a little bittersweet since Coach Labarda won't be with us at Carroll next year. But mainly it's just sweet to know that after all his hard work and years of dedication to the game, Coach Labarda is getting a chance to become a head college basketball coach."

The EOU Mountaineers capped the season with a record of 24-9 and made it to the second round of the NAIA Division II Tournament.

JACOB PLOCHER -- WOMEN'S SOCCER

Jacob Plocher became EOU's head women's soccer coach in March 2017.

"Jacob has the drive to be successful that we look for in coaches," Athletic Director Anji Weissenfluh said. "He will provide some needed stability to our women's

soccer program, and there is no doubt he will embrace the campus and community of La Grande."

Plocher comes to EOU with nearly eight years of coaching experience at the collegiate level and is the seventh women's soccer coach in program history.

During his four years at Presentation College, an NAIA institution in South Dakota, Plocher compiled 27 wins. During the 2016 campaign, he guided the Saints to an 11-6-2 record, the best in program history, and broke a handful of school records.

"I am extremely excited to become a Mountaineer and to get to know our current players, along with adding student-athletes who are going to represent EOU in the classroom, on the field, and throughout the community," Plocher said.

He also served as an assistant coach to



Jacob Plocher

the men's and women's soccer programs at Kansas Wesleyan.

Plocher was a team captain at William Penn, where he earned bachelor's and master's degrees. He also served as a graduate assistant for the men's soccer team there.

"I'm thrilled that EOU was able to hire a coach of Plocher's caliber to lead our women's soccer program," Faculty Athletic Representative Ryan Dearing said. "He brings a wealth of experience and has the passion, gumption, and leadership qualities necessary to enhance our program in every measurable way. Coach Plocher understands the high expectations we place on our student-athletes in the classroom, on the field, and in the community, and I look forward to watching him exceed those expectations for years to come."

EOU went 9-6-3 in 2016, including a 6-3-2 mark in conference play. The Mountaineers reached the quarterfinals of the Cascade Collegiate Conference (CCC) Tournament before losing to Northwest. ■

MOUNTAINEER ATHLETICS FALL 2017

FOOTBALL

Aug 31	at	Southern Oregon University
Sep 9	vs	University of Montana-Western
Sep 16	at	College of Idaho
Sep 23	at	Montana Tech
Oct 7	vs	Montana State University-Northern

CROSS COUNTRY

Sep 9	at	Treasure Valley Community College
Sep 16	vs	CCC Preview-Lane Farms, La Grande
Sep 30	at	Willamette Invitational, Salem

MEN'S SOCCER

Sep 6	at	Warner Pacific
Sep 22	vs	Northwest
Sep 23	vs	Evergreen
Sep 29	vs	Carroll
Sep 30	vs	Providence (Montana)

MEN'S WRESTLING

Nov 4	vs	Providence (Montana)
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WOMEN'S WRESTLING

Nov 3	vs	Grays Harbor Community College
Nov 4	vs	Providence (Mont.)

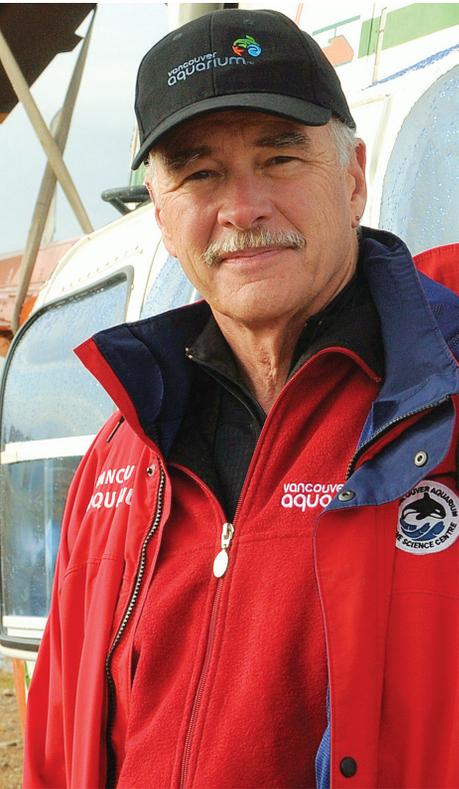
VOLLEYBALL

Sep 1	at	Southern Oregon University
Sep 2	at	Oregon Tech
Sep 8	vs	Multnomah
Sep 9	at	Warner Pacific
Sep 5	at	Evergreen
Sep 6	at	Northwest
Sep 22	vs	Northwest Christian
Sep 23	vs	Corban
Sep 28	at	Walla Walla
Sep 29	vs	College of Idaho

WOMEN'S SOCCER

Sep 8	at	Puget Sound
Sep 9	at	Pacific Lutheran
Sep 16	at	Warner Pacific
Sep 22	vs	Northwest
Sep 23	vs	Evergreen
Sep 29	vs	Carroll
Sep 30	vs	Providence (Mont.)

Visit eoussports.com for a complete schedule.



The once small community venue known as the Vancouver Aquarium is now a major influencer in the fight for global conservation. Since opening day 61 years ago in Stanley Park, the facility’s mission remains centered on education, research and public engagement. This collective vision distinguishes it from other organizations, but protecting the planet’s marine life and resources didn’t become part of the primary objective until later.

Leading these new efforts, initiatives and innovations toward preservation is John Nightingale, Ph.D., Vancouver Aquarium president and CEO.

“Conservation wasn’t something people talked about in 1956, and didn’t really come along until Earth Day,” said Nightingale, who remembers attending the first Earth Day celebration at Eastern Oregon College (EOC) in 1970. His childhood years spent in rural Union County are at the root of the instinctual connection he feels to the natural world.

“I grew up in La Grande, and like any other kid who did, I spent a lot of time outdoors in the woods and up on the mountain behind town, so it’s just ingrained in me to get out and explore and enjoy nature,” he said.

Nightingale has held the top post at the Vancouver Aquarium since 1993 when its founding director retired, and in the past 24 years he has traveled far and wide conducting research, public outreach and government policy work. With education initiatives currently focused on the Canadian Arctic, Nightingale frequently helicopters into the tiny villages scattered across the remote tundra regions, some with populations as small as 180 people.

“It’s rewarding to be able to reach out and talk to someone, and maybe help make a difference in how they view the world or how they view their education,” Nightingale said. “That’s the kind of very personal connection I found at Eastern, and based on my experience there, I tell every young



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person I get to talk to the same thing: go someplace where you have smaller class sizes and you actually get to talk to your professors.”

Nightingale remembers gathering in Hoke Hall – now the Hoke Union Building – during that first Earth Day event. As a senior studying biology, he found the area surrounding campus offered the ideal environment for hands-on learning.

“For someone interested in biology or ecology and in my case, physiology, you’re out in the middle of it,” he said. Visiting places like the John Day Fossil Beds with his high school biology teacher and EOC undergraduates solidified his decision to stay in La Grande for college.

His family also shares a storied connection to the university. EOU’s Nightingale Gallery in Loso Hall is named after his father George, a longtime professor of art, and selections of his work are included in the gallery’s permanent collection. His mother also taught at Eastern, which is where the couple met shortly after World War II. Both of his siblings are also alumni, and his brother Craig sits on the EOU Foundation Board of Trustees.

Nightingale went on to complete his Ph.D. in salmon physiology at the University of Washing-

ton in Seattle, where he admits the sheer size of the school was a shock to him initially.

“With immediate access to high-caliber teaching faculty at EOU, you get used to it, so when you head off to graduate school you just think that’s the way it is everywhere,” he recalled. “When I went to graduate school and didn’t even talk to the lead biochemistry professor face-to-face for the entire quarter, I had to take charge of my own education. Eastern gave me the ability to do that.”

One of the favorite aspects of his job now is leading about two-thirds of the Vancouver Aquarium’s “exploration trips” to ecologically diverse destinations. He believes the best way to acquire new knowledge is experientially, and these expeditions offer the ultimate field trips to places like the Galapagos, Antarctica, South Africa and the Amazon.

“If you’re going to teach someone to cook, take them to a kitchen. Don’t just show them a video,” Nightingale said. “It works that way with nature, too. People are increasingly living in cities and are less connected, so we take a group somewhere in the world to go explore and learn. It’s a wonderful thing.”

Around 1.2 million visitors are drawn to the aquarium each year, where they have the opportunity to witness pioneering work in fields like research training with the local population of

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— John Nightingale, Ph.D, Vancouver Aquarium president and CEO

Using the example of how physicians measure resting and active metabolism in people, Nightingale said the team at the aquarium set out to do the same thing with sea lions and much more. The entire story will be told through a new aquarium exhibit set to open this summer, and the aquarium’s approach to research training is setting the standard for other institutions pursuing similar projects.

As with any facility housing wild animals, there are exceptional rewards and equally difficult challenges Nightingale and his team face. The aquarium made headlines earlier this spring when the Vancouver Park Board voted to suspend its captive



Steller sea lions. The project, coordinated with the University of British Columbia, looks at why populations of these large eared seals have been in steady decline in Alaska and northern British Columbia since the 1970s. Findings of the 20-year study point to what Nightingale describes as massive changes in the ocean ecosystem and available food.

“Adults can make it, but moms nursing pups aren’t getting enough energy from different kinds of food, and pup survival rate is terrible,” Nightingale said.

Working with mature sea lions (males often weigh-in at 2,000 pounds) requires a specialized approach, which is where research training is key.

“We had to pioneer new ways of training them [Stellers] so that we could study their physiology,” Nightingale explained.

cetacean program following the death of two resident beluga whales.

While the cetacean program has been halted for now, Nightingale is adamant that rescue and rehabilitation efforts of the aquarium’s Marine Mammal Rescue Centre will continue. Many injured, orphaned or otherwise debilitated animals are cared for at this separate facility.

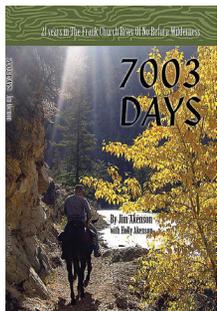
“We will fight long and hard to continue to rescue stranded animals, including belugas and dolphins in need of assistance,” Nightingale said. “We run the only rescue center in Canada and we have for 45 years, so it’s part of our DNA, our passion and mission.”

Nightingale’s next big trek is to warmer climes as he checks in with Europe’s largest aquarium, L’Oceanogràfic in Valencia,

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EOU AUTHORS

Many members of our university community are published authors and this section highlights some of their most recent work and where to find it. Wishing you happy reading from *The Mountaineer*!



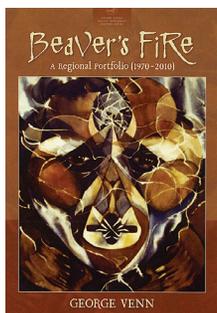
“7003 Days” By Jim and Holly Akenson, alumni

A compelling new book “7003 Days” penned by wildlife biologists Jim and Holly Akenson chronicles their 21 years living in the Frank Church-River of No Return Wilderness.

The narrative begins in 1982 when the Akensons moved to a log cabin in the backcountry to manage Taylor Ranch, the University of Idaho’s wilderness research station, and focuses on their encounters with wildlife and nature: tracking wolves and cougars, using mules for transportation and ranch work and introducing university students to life in the rugged Salmon River Mountains of Central Idaho.

The Akenson’s met while attending Eastern, with Holly completing her bachelor’s of science in biology and graduating with honors in 1979. She returned to earn a secondary education degree in 1982. Jim also graduated with honors in 1979 with a bachelor’s of science in environmental studies-community service.

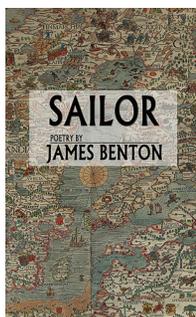
“From the riveting terror fleeing a raging wildfire to the humorous diplomacy working a pack string of mules, Jim and Holly’s stories from the middle of the River of No Return Wilderness are told as if you are with them watching the camp embers fade,” said Dr. Gary Koehler, research scientist with the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife. “This is a fun and lively story of a couple who have spent much of their life in the midst of one of North America’s wildest places...Truly a treat to read!” **Publisher: caxtonpress.com**



“Beaver’s Fire” By George Venn, professor emeritus of creative writing

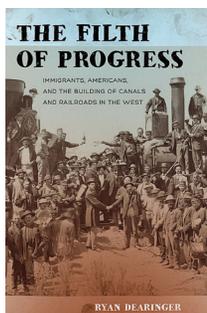
“Beaver’s Fire” is a collection of Northwest literature presenting 26 works hand-selected by independent jurors to represent and reprint the best of George Venn’s published writing about the region and its authors.

Venn crafted a brief preface and selected photographs to accompany each reprinted piece. More than 50 historical or archival images of editors, writers, poets, books, events, radicals and photographers illustrate the pages. Artwork by EOU alumna Stephani Stephenson graces the cover and the title is a nod to the Nez Perce legend of Beaver stealing fire from the pines, and in his escape, carving the path of the Grande Ronde River and sharing fire with other trees and animals along the way. **Publisher: redbatbooks.com**



“Sailor” By James Benton, instructor of English and writing

James Benton’s first poetry collection draws on the poignant and often humorous experiences of his six years of Navy service at the end of the Vietnam War. While not entirely biographical, the poems aren’t complete works of fiction either, and Benton uses “ports of call” rather than chapters to organize this collection that has a coming-of-age theme. His work ranges from lyrical to experimental. From an appearance by a stalker at a women’s bowling league to the suicide of a relative, he touches on laughter, loss and grief. Benton, who is also an Eastern alumnus, previously published a memoir and his poetry and essays have appeared in numerous literary journals, including “Oregon East.” **Publisher: wintergoosepublishing.com**



“The Filth of Progress” By Ryan Dearing, associate professor of history

Ryan Dearing delves into an often-untold part of America’s past in “The Filth of Progress” about the workers who built the canals and railroads during the expansion of the West. The suffering of Irish and Chinese immigrants, Mormons, and native-born citizens whose labor created this infrastructure and turned the nation’s dreams of a continental empire into a reality is at the forefront. A collective narrative of their survival on the economic fringes of society, the book also moves beyond the trenches of construction labor to address the popular writers, artists, statesmen and cultural commentators who celebrated progress. Dearing joins scholars from the U.S., China, Taiwan and Canada contributing to the Chinese Railroad Workers in North America Project at Stanford University. **Publisher: ucpress.edu**

Landmark year for giving

By Vicky Hart | Development Associate

Mike Allstott, '84, president of EOU's Foundation, made an announcement in February marking 2016 as a milestone year in fundraising for the foundation and Eastern Fund. The foundation raised just over \$1 million in the form of gifts and pledges supporting student scholarships, programs and capital projects at the university. Overall year-end giving designated to the Eastern Fund reached \$389,000, nearly a threefold increase over 2015.

Allstott pointed to the success of EOU's athletic teams, academic programs, music and community events as catalysts for the increased giving at year's end. "I am so proud of the way our foundation and governing boards, alumni, faculty, staff and friends really made 2016 a special year for fundraising," he said. "We're seeing the benefits of our efforts to create a culture of giving which directly benefits our students, university and community."

The foundation saw increases in new donors, total donors and unrestricted giving, as well as year-end giving to restricted and unrestricted funds. The total number of donors and gifts increased by 36 percent and 35 percent respectively in 2016, and the foundation also attracted 56 new first-time donors in November and December.

Over the past two years annual contributions to the Eastern Fund, which provides unrestricted resources, have also increased substantially. Unrestricted revenue in 2016 outpaced 2015 by 43

percent. In 2015 the Eastern Fund received \$102,000, a 20 percent increase over 2014. This represents an increase of more than 70 percent in the last two years.

Giving to the Eastern Fund was particularly strong in the final months of 2016, with donations increasing 85 percent in November and December. Tim Seydel, who serves as executive director of the foundation, joined leadership in celebrating growth in many facets of charitable giving. "These resources are invaluable to the ongoing success of the university and all that we do, and it would not be possible without foundation trustees and donors leading the way," Seydel said.

"At the end of the day, it is about the students," he added. "Our focus – from faculty and staff to our foundation, alumni association and governing board – is on student success, and we are seeing the support as more people and organizations invest in EOU's future."

For more information, visit eou.edu/foundation or call University Advancement at 541-962-3740. ■



Donors visit with students at Tea & Trumpets.

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“This is a way we could target drug-resistant bacteria and parasites we don’t have any treatment for at the moment.”

— Arden Perkins, '09, postdoctoral fellow

Making discoveries

By Ronald Bond | The Observer

An alumnus of both Powder Valley High School and EOU is the lead author of a recent Oregon State University study that could lead to a breakthrough in antibiotics. Dr. Arden Perkins, who graduated from Powder Valley in 2005 and EOU in 2009, spearheaded research that led to the discovery that proteins in bacteria crucial to the bacteria’s survival could be inhibited, a finding that in the long run could lead to new ways of fighting certain diseases.

Perkins’ research focused mainly on peroxiredoxin, a protein found in cells, including those within the human body. “These proteins do have a really important job in the cell,” Perkins said. “They convert hydrogen peroxide to water.”

Hydrogen peroxide is a toxin made a couple of different ways in the human body. It is a byproduct of when cells produce energy, Perkins said. The problem with hydrogen peroxide is that if it is not converted to water, it can cause damage to DNA and to cells, including making them cancerous. Peroxiredoxins are essential, then, to cell life.

“Peroxiredoxins are sort of like waste management, so they take (hydrogen peroxide) and convert it to something harmless,” Perkins said.

Disease-causing bacteria cells also have these proteins, and they perform the same function. Where this causes an issue, Per-

kins explained, is that white blood cells use hydrogen peroxide to kill bacteria that enters the body. If the bacteria can convert that to water, though, it lessens the affect of the attack.

Perkins’ study focused on how to inhibit the bacteria, and he found that the proteins held the key.

“The idea is, if we could just very selectively stop the peroxiredoxins (in the bacteria) from functioning, then that would kill the bacteria,” he said. “This would remove the major defenses, so it would be really easy for our white blood cells to kill (bacteria).”

A research technique called protein crystallography allowed Perkins to get an up-close look at the structure of the proteins.

“A protein is like a machine,” he said. “Like any machine, it has moving parts. In order to perform the chemistry that converts hydrogen peroxide to water, there are some parts of the protein that have to move.”

Perkins explained that the challenge was to find out what parts of the protein needed to move in order for it to function fully. Stop that, and the protein is permanently damaged.

“It turns out that the protein is actually irreversibly ruined when you prevent it from moving,” he said. “The cool thing is the part of the proteins that need to move are different (in) human peroxiredoxins than the ones in bacteria.”

Perkins said that if drug researchers can develop an antibiotic that would be able to target just the peroxiredoxins in bacteria, it would be a huge step in fighting drug-resistant infections, such as staph or tuberculosis.

Perkins added the same method could possibly be looked at for the treatment of other ailments, including malaria and African sleeping sickness.

“This is a way we could target drug-resistant bacteria and parasites we don’t have any treatment for at the moment,” he said.

The timetable for a viable drug, however, is 10 years or longer.

It’s quite a step for Perkins, who said he entered college at EOU unsure of what he wanted to do. He said he actually started as an art major.

“I had always had an interest in art and science, but after taking my first bio course, I was very hooked on that, so I switched my major to biology,” he said.

He graduated with a bachelor’s degree in biology and a minor in chemistry in 2009, and joined the OSU biochemistry doctoral program in 2011.

“What interested me most was that biochemistry is the field that really deals with finding new solutions to treat diseases,” he said. “Biochemistry generally is the field that, say, invents new drugs. That’s one area people study and that’s what I’m interested in.”

Perkins connected with biochemistry professor Andy Karplus and spent the majority of his 3-1/2 years studying peroxiredoxins. He obtained his doctorate in biochemistry and biophysics in March 2015. Perkins’ research was published in the research journal “Cell: Structure” in October. ■

“I was a junior and really struggling. Coming from my background, the tendency is to put limits on yourself, but Eastern was transformational for me.”

— Paul Phillips, '82, circuit court judge

Presiding over the people's court

By Laura Hancock

The new Circuit Court Judge for the Sixth Judicial District in Campbell County, Wyo., is a graduate of Eastern Oregon State College. Paul Phillips was sworn in during a ceremony in January and is set to preside over thousands of cases this year after being selected by Wyoming Governor Matt Mead.

“It is action-packed and I love it,” said Phillips of his new role on the bench. “Courts and judges have an unparalleled opportunity to help people change their lives, and nowhere in Wyoming is that more true than at the level of the Circuit Court – the People’s Court – where the legal system’s triage occurs.”

Phillips is the first in his family to attend college, and while the decision to enroll at Eastern was easy after accompanying a friend on a campus tour and meeting the baseball coach, the road wasn’t always smooth for the Nampa, Idaho native.

“I was a junior and really struggling,” Phillips recalled. “Coming from my background, the tendency is to put limits on yourself, but Eastern was transformational for me.”

A heart-to-heart with the late Doug Spear changed his trajectory when the longtime professor of political science suggested he consider applying to law school and arranged for a work-study job at a local law office.

“I have great memories of La Grande and EOSC,” said Phillips, who met his wife Ann (Simmons) Phillips as an undergrad. “She’s the best thing that happened to me at Eastern.”

Phillips persevered and completed his bachelor’s of science in general studies in 1982. He still keeps in touch with friends and teammates from his baseball days, some remembering him as “Puma,” the nickname coined by a fellow dorm resident.

All ribbing aside, Phillips said the decision to go to college



The first person in his family to attend college, Phillips earned a bachelor’s of science in general studies before going on to law school.

helped reroute his family’s course, pointing to the education and success of his two daughters as evidence.

Before going on to earn his juris doctor from George Mason University School of Law, Phillips served 20 years in the Army and retired as a lieutenant colonel. His distinguished military career includes working at the Pentagon as spokesman for the Secretary of Defense from 1998 to 2002, and the position took him to 39 countries and 46 states. He also worked in a private law practice in Gillette for over 10 years and prior to that served as a law clerk for the District Court Judges of the Sixth Judicial District. He holds a master of arts from Marshall University.

“My background is contrary to ordinary for most lawyers,” Phillips said. “In my heart of hearts I’ll always be a soldier, but I revere the law. I still believe that, of all of our institutions, the law best embodies our forefathers’ faith in the proposition that all are created equal. I am honored to have been selected.” ■



"Attempt 1," by Erica Hitzman, acrylic on canvas, 6'x4' (2017).

"Don't Blink"

EOU graduate Erica Hitzman is the recipient of the first annual Lawrence Duckler New Arts Award, presented to the artist whose work garnered the most votes from visitors to the 2016 Recent Graduates show at Blackfish Gallery in Portland.

Her acrylic paintings on un-stretched and un-treated canvas feature a "spilling" technique in combination with detached or sleeping figures. She aims to illustrate strength and fragility in combination with one another by painting highly rendered images onto a less precious and tattered canvas, commenting on the weight of reality and the feeling of being exposed.

Having spent years in the advertising industry, she has felt the negative effects the media can have, especially on women. Her work is her own exploration of what it feels like to be treated as an object, and the wear and tear such experiences can have on an individual.

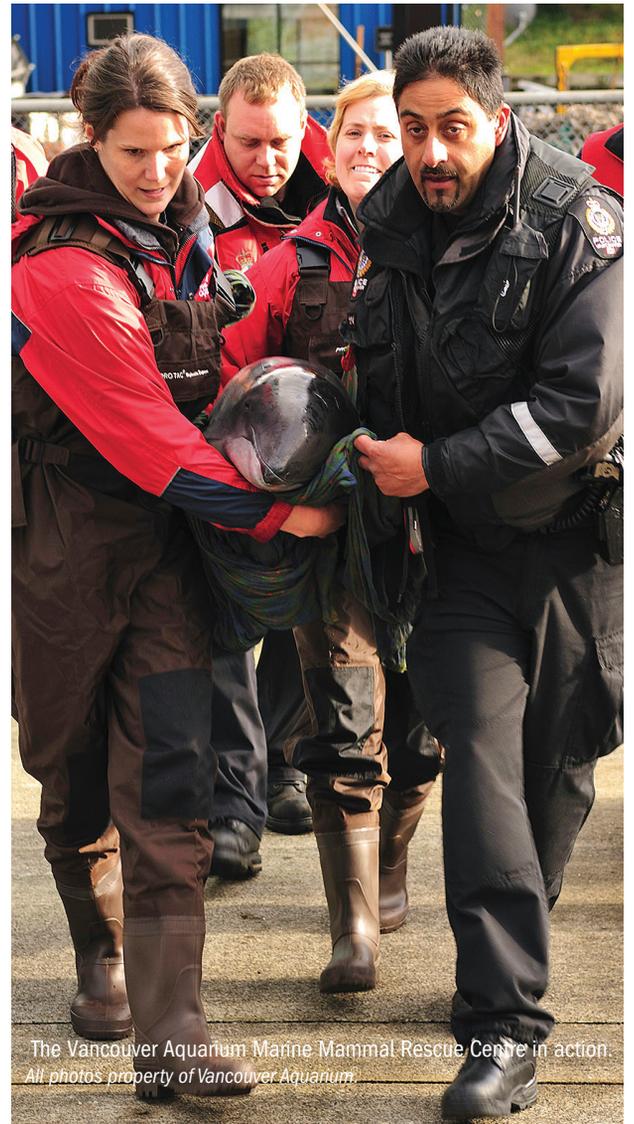
For Hitzman, creating this body of work has been – somewhat ironically, she says – a reality check as well as a small escape from it. ■

Spain, now under co-management of the Vancouver Aquarium.

With these and other collaborations continuing to extend the scope, reaching out in the digital space is becoming equally important as making an impression in person. Nightingale said the aquarium's website is poised to host one billion online visitors by 2025.

"We reason that the best way to make a difference for the future of nature – which is really what we're trying to do – is dramatically increase the number of people on earth who are interested in, curious about and aware of aquatic and ocean issues." ■

Learn more about the Vancouver Aquarium's outreach activities and exhibits at www.vanaqua.org.



The Vancouver Aquarium Marine Mammal Rescue Centre in action.
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North Campus Restoration Project

By Laura Hancock

The first phase of a major capital construction project at the north end of EOU's campus began in March with preparations for the salvage, abatement and eventual demolition and restoration of the original women's dormitory site.

The work follows completion of a thorough study of Hunt Hall conducted by the university that determined the cost to repair and renovate the aging building exceeds the price of new construction. The decision to tear down Hunt Hall was not made quickly – or lightly. EOU has been looking at ways to save the building for over 15 years.

"With the plumbing, steam lines and electrical systems not up to current codes, the lack of an elevator for ADA accessibility

as well as other access issues, the massive retrofitting the building would require just isn't feasible," said Luke Aldrich, North Campus Restoration Project manager. He is currently leading a team to re-envision a use for the space after the 72,300 square-foot building is gone.

Possibilities being discussed include enhanced parking and visitor access, additional walkways, and opening up views of the valley and mountains surrounding campus.

Total cost of the project is \$2.985 million, with funding provided by capital construction bonds allocated through the state legislature. EOU is working with W.C. Construction, Inc., and the demolition and cleanup is expected to be complete by fall term. ■



Share your Hunt Hall story

Throughout the project, the North Campus Restoration Team is inviting contributions to Hunt Hall history in the form of stories and photographs collected through an online submission form.

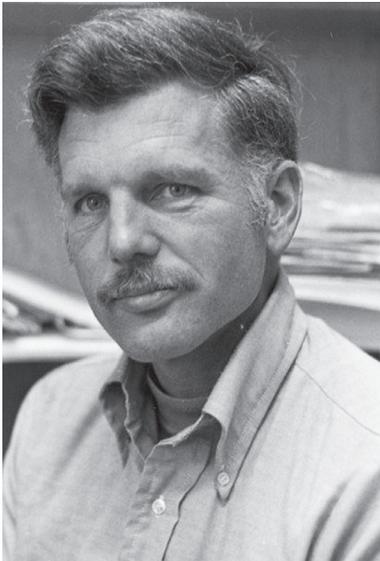
"Restoration of the site is obviously an important component of the project," Aldrich said. "The team is going to great lengths to ensure we memorialize the building and minimize disturbance in this culturally sensitive area."

Most of the building has been closed since 2014. The first wing was constructed in 1939 and originally named Dorion Hall in honor of Marie Aioe Dorion, the sole female member in a cross-country expedition to the Pacific Northwest in 1910. This wing has been vacant since the 1970's.

A section was added in 1948 when it was renamed Hunt Hall in memory of the Wilson Hunt Price group that Marie Dorion was traveling with. Another wing was added in 1955 and a final section was built in 1963.

www.eou.edu/north-campus-restoration

In memoriam



Theodore "Ted" Brown, passed away February 10, 2017. He was an educator, professor and consummate teacher. From Union High School to Eastern Oregon University, he inspired students with his passion for learning and taught teachers how to teach.

A love of teaching and sustainable forestry yielded exceptional benefits for EOU students and the environment during his tenure from 1966 to 1991. He wrote proposals and helped organize multiple programs including the intercultural exchange, Native American, migrant education and bilingual programs. He holds a legacy as a visionary and activist for social justice and equity in education.

Brown's true love was his extracurricular class offering: The Rhetoric of Nature, where the classroom walls ended but the teaching went on. Hikes and poems, camp-outs and essays, map studies, orienteering, memorable sunburns and frigid traverses made up the curriculum. A tree on the south

side of EOU's Zabel Hall is dedicated to Brown, who was honored as Union County Tree Farmer of the Year twice and once as Oregon State Tree Farmer of the Year.

Individuals who would like to help keep Brown's spirit of "the love of learning" alive are invited to send contributions to The Ted and Mary Brown Scholarship fund in the EOU Foundation, One University Blvd., La Grande, OR 97850.



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- Joseph L. Arriola**, '69, Jamieson, Ore., Jan. 26, 2017
- Philip E. Beauchamp**, '50, Walnut Creek, Calif., Oct. 9, 2016
- Howard E. Button**, '87, Baker City, Ore., Feb. 6, 2017
- Cole T. Clemens**, '10, La Grande, Feb. 11, 2017
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- Barbara E. Daniel**, '66, Pendleton, Nov. 26, 2016
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- Alice M. Fossatti**, '59, Pendleton, October 9, 2016
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- Alma B. Trask**, Keizer, Ore., Jan. 5, 2017
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DONOR SPOTLIGHT

Chloe and Frank Pearson

It was a scholarship that made all the difference for Chloe Pearson when she became a non-traditional student years after she first enrolled in college.

A student from rural Baker City High School, Chloe completed her freshman year at Oregon State University right after graduation, but her goals were uncertain. She also didn't have the financial means to continue, so she pushed "pause" on her education. Years later when Chloe had raised a family and served as a source of moral support for her husband Frank, a major shareholder in a successful wood products business, the couple mutually decided it was time to resume her pursuit of a degree. She was admitted to Eastern Oregon University and declared business and economics as her major.

Chloe and Frank established a quasi-endowed scholarship fund with the EOU Foundation in 2016 to help other business students reach their potential. "Eastern Oregon University and the community are very important to us and we want to contribute and give back to our area that we grew up in," Chloe said. "Business majors can be very versatile in all sorts of industries, and it's a field Frank and I are passionate about."

Looking back at her time on campus, Chloe said the small class sizes and direct access to faculty were integral to her success. She was 40 when she returned to school, seeking to enhance her job skills and complete a four-year degree. She graduated in 1995 and went on to become a certified public accountant, thanks to her education.

The Pearsons' scholarship provides \$5,000 to be awarded annually to an eligible business student at the sophomore level or above, including those in the MBA program. "We want to help people finish their educations and hopefully contribute back to the community of eastern Oregon," Chloe said.

The EOU Foundation is a vital resource for higher education with current assets of \$13 million. Privately funded scholarships like the Pearson's will provide over \$550,000 to students during this academic year alone.

For more information on the Pearson's scholarship fund and other awards administered by the EOU Foundation, go to eou.edu/foundation/scholarships.

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EOU Volleyball vs. Oregon Tech – Quinn Coliseum

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Homecoming 5/10K & 1 Mile Run/Walk
EOU Alumni Association Breakfast & Annual Meeting
EOU Alumni Softball Fast Pitch Game
Mary Horn – Edward Jones Tailgate Zone
EOU Volleyball vs. Southern Oregon University
EOU Football vs. Montana State University - Northern

For more information about upcoming events go to eou.edu/news and eou.edu/sports



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