GROUNDBREAKING FOR THE VALLEY LIBRARY

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A NEW ERA IN LIBRARY OPERATION

As I write this in late July, the change construction has wrought to the existing library is very obvious. There is excavation on the north, south and west of the building to make way for new walls and new spaces. The second floor entrance on the quad has been closed for some weeks and now the Jefferson Street entrance is a bit difficult to maneuver. Users enter under scaffolding to protect them from work being done above. There’s a giant hole in front of the library to the north. It’s even larger than necessary because it has to provide space for the giant six story crane to be brought in soon. Already, workmen are pouring concrete to provide the footing for the crane to move on.

The preparations for a new era in library operation are obvious in the construction activities which will continue for the next two years. What isn’t obvious are the preparations going on behind the scenes to implement a new kind of service for library users. The new building envisions a close working relationship among librarians, network managers, computer consultants and media specialists. The merging of these units in order to define a new level of service is a daunting task, with employees numbering more than 200.

The technology these staff members will be using to provide information services across the state as well as on campus is changing so rapidly that no single person can stay on top of it—let alone manage its implementation in a cost-effective manner. Consequently, like many businesses caught in the same dilemma, the Information Services unit is organizing itself along new lines. We’re attempting to adapt the team model which has been so successful for Hewlett Packard and others. Group dynamics in the team environment are proven to provide high motivation to staff, to assure quicker responses to changes in the external environment and in user demand, and to spread the responsibility for keeping abreast of technological change. The goal is to provide cost-effective, user-responsive services on the cutting edge of the information delivery field.

Although other universities are examining alternative staff organizations, OSU has gone further than most in attempting to create a staff and work environment which will fully exploit the potential the new Valley Library promises. It is this examination of need and a willingness to implement new organizational relationships which is making OSU a leader in the field of Information Services.

Those of you who contributed to the Campaign for the Library expected great things. You can be assured that OSU is doing everything in its power to assure that your expectations are met. No, not met. Exceeded!

Melvin R. George
The Delpha and Donald Campbell University Librarian
In many small, rural libraries around the state of Oregon, access to the Internet was only a dream until a few months ago. Staffed by volunteers as well as paid employees, many of these small libraries are funded by a combination of city or county funds, some even by bake sale contributions! All are struggling to find access to the famous information superhighway.

Enter project 'BOOT CAMP' - the brainchild of OSU librarians involved with a government education grant to make government information on compact disk readily available in user-friendly format. Savings from this successful three-year grant provided a computer, modem, laser printer, and a one year hook-up to the Internet for each of the 25 rural Oregon libraries participating in Boot Camp.

Representatives from 25 rural public libraries around Oregon came to campus last March to attend Boot Camp at the OSU library. Participants learned how to access the World Wide Web and the banks of data available on networked CD-ROMs, and how to help their patrons use the service. The two-day training session covered public access in general and government information in particular—from an introduction to software to issues of intellectual freedom. Participants also learned how to operate their new computers and at the end of the sessions, took their computers home with them!

Administrators at the State Library in Salem were so impressed by the successful government information project at OSU that not only did they provide support for the initial Boot Camp, but they expanded the project to include 25 additional public libraries. This project was also partially supported by the Portland library system, PORTALS.

News of this successful venture soon spread. Librarians from the University of California-Berkeley expressed interest in working with OSU to expand the project. Charlene Grass and Karyle Butcher, Associate University Librarians, recently traveled to Berkeley to work with their librarians and others from Harvard and Stanford, planning an expansion of OSU's initial work.

The Valley Library has also recently hired Stephen Mosley, a computer operations specialist, who will provide on-going training and support for the first Boot Camp attendees. A second Boot Camp session is already being planned for later this year. This project is viewed as a successful growth opportunity for rural libraries; to provide Internet displays for patrons who don't have home computers of their own.
It rained for three weeks straight prior to May 24—the date set for breaking ground on the new Valley Library. Development Director, Cliff Dalton, fretted that the heavy equipment brought in for the ceremony would sink into the soggy ground, and he finally ordered 300 umbrellas for guests, thinking everyone would be drenched with rain.

However, on the appointed day, the sun broke through the clouds and bathed the Library quad in sunshine—setting the stage for a glorious event. Beginning with a formal dinner on the Library quad lawn, the two-day event also included a concert that evening, a multimedia presentation the following morning, and a picnic lunch served in the tent on the Library quad, prior to the groundbreaking event itself on Friday, May 24.

Thursday evening’s dinner honoring donors to the Library Campaign was a truly unique experience. Guests were bussed to the heart of campus and up to the entrance of a sparkling white tent on the Library lawn. Inside, crystal chandeliers hung from the ceiling, and, reminiscent of a summer garden wedding, the

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OSU President Paul Risser and Gladys Valley.

Construction Update
tables and chairs were draped in elegant white and adorned with flowers. (No one knew of the earlier rain-caused casualty—goat cheese hors d’oeuvres toppling to the soggy ground before they could be served!) A gourmet meal, complete with wine, was served on fine china to honored guests. This was a once in a lifetime opportunity, to dine in a tent on the Library quad in the middle of campus—and no one even missed the goat cheese!

Following dinner, guests again boarded busses to the LaSells Stewart Center to enjoy the OSU Corvallis Symphony Pops concert, and witness Robert Bailey, Director of the Portland Opera, receive the third annual Friends of OSU Libraries Distinguished Achievement Award. Not only did Bailey receive the award, he responded by entertaining the crowd with a resounding rendition of “Marian, the Librarian.” Other special guest appearances were made by Roosevelt Credit and Gale Hazel, among others.

Friday morning, guests viewed a high-tech multimedia presentation illustrating how technology is advancing teach-

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ing, research and extended education at OSU. Following the presentation, Library guests were bussed to the center of campus to enjoy a picnic lunch in the tent on the Library quad, entertained by the accomplished fiddle player, Starr McMullen and her group. Following the picnic, guests then gathered on the lawn for the ground breaking ceremony itself.

The OSU Pep Band played rousing music to set the tone, and OSU alum Roosevelt Credit amused the crowd with his antics directing the pep band. Later, Credit sang the national anthem, and various dignitaries spoke from the podium. Gladys Valley, whose name the library will bear, was an honored guest and told the crowd that her grandmother, her mother and the rest of her family always believed that reading was an enriching experience, stating, "You can't read unless you have a library." Speaking for her late husband Wayne, as well as herself, she said: "We were given a great deal by Oregon State to enrich our lives. I'm glad to be able to give back... and to give to those who are after us."

Then OSU President Paul Risser asked principal donors if their hard hats were in place. At the rousing cry of "Let's break some ground," six pieces of heavy equipment began to dig the earth on the Library quad, launching the $40 million project—a long-held dream for thousands of friends, alums, parents and citizens of Oregon who helped raise the funds needed to rebuild and expand the former Kerr Library into the new Valley Library at Oregon State University.
Above: Guests enjoying dinner in the tent.
Below: Karyle Butcher, associate university librarian, shows library guests "virtual reality."
Bob and Betty Lundeen break ground.

Sara and Bill Kimball break ground.
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Betty Cameron at ground breaking.

Connecting students
Alice Kathryn Kidder Evans

Bread and butter pickles, the really good kind, are always homemade. Preserved from cucumbers fresh off the vine, still warm from the morning sun. That’s the way that Alice makes them.

Some of the best pickles you ever ate are made by a good friend of the OSU Libraries — Alice Kathryn Kidder Evans. Painstakingly sliced by hand and preserved from a time-honored recipe, Alice’s pickles are savored by the lucky few recipients of the fruits of her labor each summer. She also makes persimmon jam and cans her own tomato juice — although she ruefully admits that this annual canning activity takes its toll on her arthritic hands. “I seem to have more aches and pains these days,” she says. In spite of this, Alice, now 94 years of age, still grows tomatoes and cucumbers in her garden every summer.

Born in 1902 in Portland, Oregon, Alice has some special memories of her early years. One of her earliest recollections is swinging in a hammock with her little dog, Trixie. Trixie and she would swing together, eating a slice of bread and butter. First, Alice would take a bite and then little Trixie would take a bite. Trixie and Alice were pals all during Alice’s childhood. Trixie finally passed away when Alice was in college.

Alice also remembers when her family moved to Sheridan; they rented a house along the water by a mill.

Indians used to drive by the house, and some would stop and sell baskets to her mother. One day, an Indian wanted the blue skirt Alice’s mother was wearing, so her mother took it off and traded it for a couple of baskets!

After Alice grew up, she followed in her parents’ and brother’s footsteps by enrolling at Oregon Agricultural College in 1920. Taking a commercial course, Alice also played on the women’s basketball team, earning a letter and receiving her coveted letterman’s sweater in 1924. On the last day of school, Alice accompanied a friend to sign up for a teaching job. Alice decided to sign up, too, and it was she who got the job — teaching typing in Ashland. Her pupils won the state typing contest in 1925 — held at her old alma mater. That day, Alice’s stenography teacher gave her a hug and told her she always knew that Alice would make good — this, after only giving Alice a “C” in class.

Back in 1925, Alice earned $1,200 a year teaching in Ashland. When she learned that they were paying more in California, she moved to Templeton where she earned $1,800 for a year’s teaching. Later she moved to Porterville, then to Santa Cruz, finally settling in San Jose, where she taught from 1928 to 1952.

Alice has always been a special friend to OSU. As a member of the President’s Club and the Council of Regents, she funds a Presidential Scholarship each year, as well as providing annual gifts to the College of Business and the OSU Libraries. Her generosity will also establish the Alice Kathryn Kidder Grand Foyer in the new Valley Library.
OSU's director of libraries has announced plans to retire, but before leaving, he will help organize a management team to oversee construction of the new $40 million Valley Library project, announced Joy Hughes, associate provost for information services.

Melvin R. George, the Delpha and Donald Campbell University Librarian will retire on or before December 31. "Dr. George's distinguished career has recently been capped by the groundbreaking ceremony for The Valley Library, a state-of-the-art library and information commons which is now under construction and scheduled to be completed in two years," Hughes said. "As of August 1, he will wind down his many external leadership activities in preparation for his retirement and will serve as a consultant to a team which will manage The Valley Library."

Hughes said Karyle Butcher, associate university librarian for research and consulting services, will serve as interim library director, library building project director, and management team leader throughout the construction project.

Others named to the management team include Charlene Grass, associate university librarian for technical and automation services; Cliff Dalton, director of library development; and Shirley Scott, head of research and access services. Grass will take on some of Butcher's current management responsibilities. Dalton will add new duties involved with the business and fiscal aspects of constructing and furnishing the building, and Scott will have responsibility for library program and service issues associated with the new construction.

George has served as OSU's director of libraries since 1984. During his tenure, the librarian's chair was endowed by the estate of Delpha and Donald Campbell, the Marilyn Potts Guin Library was built at OSU's Hatfield Marine Science Center in Newport, a wide variety of automated services were introduced by the OSU Libraries, and the new Valley Library was planned.

The campaign for OSU's new library building has resulted in the largest private donation ever made to a library building in an Oregon public university.
**A NOTE FROM THE EDITOR**

**BUILDING “ROOM TO GROW”**

The Komatsu PC400HD’s great maw delivers yet another load of dirt to the waiting dump truck, an ongoing process these last few weeks at OSU’s Valley Library. A gargantuan hole in the ground in front of the present library is the result of the first five weeks of work by Hoffman Construction. The week following ground breaking ceremonies for the new Valley Library saw construction workers installing fencing and loads of rock on the library quad as a staging area in preparation for construction.

The gigantic excavation makes room to grow—room for the new foundation for the addition to the Library. Huge dump trucks are now the norm as they rumble up and down college hill removing dirt from the site. The weather is dry and hot, and there’s lots of dust—but it’s the dust of progress, the dust of change, the dust of building “room to grow.” We’re building for the future in this dust—for our current students, our children and their children.

As I gaze out the window on this hot July afternoon, I marvel at the brute strength of the Komatsu PC400HD—certainly, the largest piece of heavy equipment I have ever seen. That is, it WAS the largest I’d ever seen, until a tower crane arrived on the scene. This behemoth was trucked onto the site in pieces and set up the same afternoon. It will be used, in part, to pile drive sheets of corrugated steel into the ground to reinforce the foundation of the library.

Library patrons and staff enjoy a commanding view from north side windows of the work being done in preparation for the foundation of our new library addition. They marvel at the skill of the Komatsu’s operator and the well-orchestrated daily drama of truck drivers, surveyors, engineers, and construction workers. It’s very tempting to stay glued to the windows watching the daily progress.

Noise, lots of it, is the norm now as construction goes into full swing. Bricks come toppling down from the southwest corners of the building in preparation for construction of the new loading dock and freight elevator. A jackhammer-like machine adds to the mayhem, involved in (I am told by those in the know) a “bushing” process—removing the paint from the cantilevers on each floor so that the new south wall can be attached to the cantilevers.

It’s an exciting, noisy, dusty time here as we watch the building of the new Valley Library at Oregon State University—building “room to grow.”

Marcia Griffin, Editor
THE WEATHER IS DRY AND HOT, AND THERE'S LOTS OF DUST—but it's the dust of progress, the dust of change, the dust of building "room to grow."
The 1996 Distinguished Achievement Award from the Friends of OSU Libraries went to Robert Bailey, Director of the Portland Opera Association. The award was presented to Bailey during the OSU-Corvallis Symphony Orchestra Celebrity Pops concert on Thursday, May 23, at the LaSells Stewart Center in Corvallis.

Robert Bailey has been general and artistic director of the Portland Opera Association since 1982. Prior to that, he was general manager of the Western Opera Theater in San Francisco, an arts management consultant, and a graduate instructor in Arts Administration at Golden Gate University. He also served as Director of Cultural Programming at National Public Radio in Washington, D.C. for five years.

Bailey has directed and appeared in numerous operas, recitals, and musical theater productions, and holds degrees in theater and English literature from the University of Illinois and degrees in music from the Eastman School of Music and the New England Conservatory of Music. As well as serving as an on-site evaluator for the National Endowment for the Arts, and a judge for the annual Metropolitan Opera National Council Regional Auditions, Bailey founded and produces Portland Opera's biennial Eleanor Lieber "Stars of Tomorrow" auditions and initiated the Resident Artist Program of the Portland Opera. He has served as President of the Portland Arts Alliance and currently serves on the Executive Committee of Oregon Advocates for the Arts, among other pursuits.

Under Mr. Bailey's leadership, the Portland Opera has broadened its audience and financial base of support by increasing both the number of productions and performances, establishing an endowment fund, a cash reserve fund, and an aggressive production underwriting program.

At the May 23 Pops concert, Robert Bailey was presented with the annual Friends Award by David Hackleman, Board President, for his outstanding work as fiscal manager and artistic and general director of the Portland Opera. Bailey, an accomplished performer in his own right, delighted the standing-room-only audience by singing "Marian, the Librarian," from The Music Man, in response. His specially-choreographed baritone rendition was a highlight of the evening.

Bailey joins two other distinguished prior recipients of this award—Margarita Donnelly, co-founder and editor of CA-LYX, a Journal of Art and Literature by Women, and Nobel Laureate Francis Crick, winner of the Nobel Prize for his contribution to the discovery of the molecular structure of DNA.
LIFETIME GIFTS (AS OF JUNE 30, 1996)

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Special friends Robert W. “Bob” and Betty Lundeen provided a generous gift to the Library Campaign, which will name the beautiful Rotunda in the new building. Bob has been the lead volunteer on the Library project since the late 1980’s, first as sole chair of the project and later as co-chair along with his wife Betty, Bill and Sara Kimball and Keith and Pat McKennon. Bob, former chair of Dow Chemical Company, and later Chairman and CEO of Tektronix, Inc., serves on several volunteer boards, including the Monterey Bay Aquarium in California and the Orcas Island Library Board in Washington. In addition, his involvement with United Way, city planning commissions and Boy Scouts of America among others, illustrates his positive contributions to the community.

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Sara and Bill Kimball of Belvedere, California made a generous gift to the Library Campaign. The couple served on the volunteer leadership committee as co-chairs and have also provided support for the Sara Hart Kimball College of Business Dean’s Chair. Sara, a 1958 graduate of OSU, is a member of the Council of Regents and serves on the OSU Foundation Board of Trustees, as well as being involved with the Colonial Williamsburg Foundation and having served as director of the San Francisco Education Fund, the St. Stephens Guild and the Marin Ballet Association, among others. Bill Kimball, with degrees from Stanford and Harvard, is president of Kimball and Company in San Francisco and has served with many community organizations such as the San Francisco Symphony, The Trauma Foundation of the San Francisco General Hospital, and the Smith Kettlewell Eye Research Institute. Currently, he is President of the Board of Trustees of the California Academy of Sciences.
Martin N. Kelley and his wife Judy, have made a significant gift to the Library Campaign. Their pledge to match cash gifts to the Campaign helped make the difference in matching the Oregon legislature’s second $10 million bonding challenge. Martin, immediate past chairman of the Board of the OSU Foundation, retired as President of Kiewit Engineering Company in 1990, after enjoying a career of 38 years with the company. He is a member of the Council of Regents and also serves on the College of Engineering Advisory Council. Kelley earned a degree in civil engineering from OSU in 1950 and one son, Steve, followed in his father’s footsteps, also graduating from OSU.

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Library Groundbreaking, left to right is Libby Mitchell and Jon Isaacs, current Presidents of ASOSU, and April Waddy, past President.

Libby Mitchell, Jon Isaacs, & April Waddy

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Gregory J. Krpalek, class of ’75, and his wife Mary, are loyal friends of OSU and the OSU Libraries, shown enjoying the groundbreaking dinner for donors to the OSU Libraries. Greg, owner of Krpalek Insurance and Financial Services in Albany, serves on the OSU Foundation Board of Trustees and is active with Rotary, The Albany Chamber of Commerce and the Albany Public Schools Foundation. Mary Krpalek is a member of the Council of Regents. Greg will be remembered as the OSU football Rookie of the Year in 1973. He played football under coach Dee Andros and went on to become an All-American in 1975.

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