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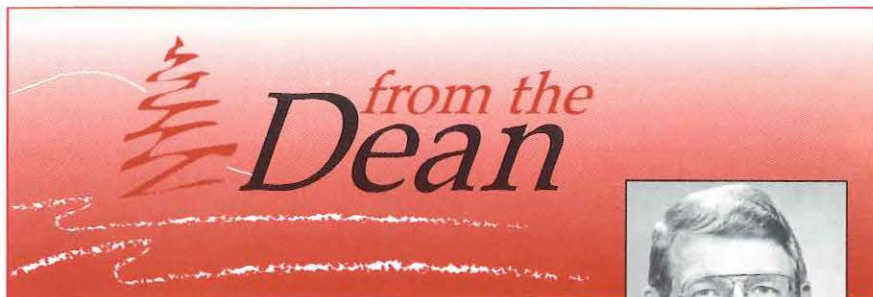
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**T**he last nine months have been challenging ones for all Oregonians as we have collectively struggled with issues impacting the management of our forests, the economic well-being of communities dependent on natural resources, and the implications of Ballot Measure 5 budget reductions on our educational system. As the legislative session drew to a close, it was very clear that higher education was going to be profoundly affected by the changes—and that our students would bear an especially heavy burden. Change is often unsettling, particularly when it creates economic hardship. For many of our students, the hardship comes in two forms: significant increases in tuition, and falling family income in timber-dependent families.

In typical Fernhopper style, College of Forestry alumni, faculty, and other friends have responded to our need. Your gifts and other assistance have helped offset some of the hardships our students face and help meet some of the important needs of our teachers.

This issue of *Focus on Forestry* provides a good summary of the help our College has received. The list of donors indicates the scope of our friends' generosity. There are many creative ways through which people have helped our College and its students, both current and future. We have received direct and deferred gifts of property and timber, life insurance policies with the College as beneficiary, bequests in wills, cash contributions. In all cases, these gifts express a strong dedication to the College of Forestry and to the education of our young people. It is a commitment to stewardship of the profession and the future of our state. And speaking of stewardship, you'll learn about our new Legacy Scholarship program, which will provide the opportunity for past scholarship winners to help today's young scholars—just as they were helped when they were students.

As you read this issue of *Focus on Forestry*, I hope you will get the same lift that I did. Yeah, times are tough and likely to get tougher. But we have a lot of helping hands among our alumni and friends, people who are convinced that what we are doing is good, people who have made a financial commitment to help us continue our work. To all of you we extend our thanks—not just for the monetary support, but for the confidence you have in the future of the College.

*George Brown*

**George Brown  
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# Giving from the heart

**Our donors give in different ways,  
but they all show the same generous spirit**

**T**HE 90-YEAR-OLD WIDOW OF A successful—and hard-working—alumnus. A woman who wants to honor the memory of her late husband. A man who knows what it's like to be poor in a foreign country. Three members of a long-established forestry family who are always looking for ways to advance the profession. Company executives who want to help schoolchildren understand how paper is made. A young alumnus concerned about harvesting timber without damaging the environment. Numerous loyal and grateful faculty members.

Our donors are a diverse group, and they give in diverse ways. But they have one thing, at least, in common: an urge to extend themselves on behalf of the common good. This issue introduces a few of those whose generosity makes a difference to this grateful College. We'd like to share some of their stories.

## The Duncan legacy lives on

Gordon Duncan died four years ago, but his generosity to students at the College of Forestry is still growing.

Duncan, a 1923 forestry graduate of Oregon Agricultural College (as OSU was called then), and his wife, Priscilla, established a loan fund for

flagship fund of the College's new, comprehensive Legacy Scholarship Program.

The Legacy Program is committed to the principle that receiving a scholarship carries with it a certain moral obligation. In administering the Legacy Scholarship funds, the College will encourage scholarship recipients to invest back into the institution that made their education possible.

Gordon Duncan would have heartily concurred with this principle,

needed it. But he also believed there ought to be an obligation—not necessarily a legal obligation, but a moral obligation—to repay the help you receive."

The Legacy Scholarship Program is an umbrella concept that currently encompasses 18 scholarship and fellowship funds already established through the College of Forestry. Past recipients of scholarships from any of these funds will be encouraged to repay their obligation by either contributing to an existing fund or establishing a new fund in their own name.

Gordon Duncan had to work his way through college with little help along the way. After he graduated, he took a job with Moore Dry Kiln, a manufacturer of drying equipment for wood products mills. By 1957 he had risen to become president of the company. He remained an active board member until his retirement in 1970. He died in 1987.

Duncan was a generous supporter of Oregon State University and the College of Forestry, becoming a founding member of the President's Club, OSU's second-highest donor group,



*Priscilla and Gordon Duncan. He believed in a moral obligation to repay.*

forestry students in the early 1960s. Today, after negotiations between Mrs. Duncan and Dean George Brown, the Gordon A. and Priscilla E. Duncan Fund has been converted to a scholarship fund and is now the

according to Priscilla Duncan Stephenson, his daughter. "My father," she says, "was a very moral, upright, trustworthy man. He came from humble beginnings himself, and he believed in helping students who

in 1968.

In establishing the Duncan Loan Fund almost 30 years ago, Gordon Duncan was discharging a keenly felt obligation. Now, thanks to Mrs. Duncan's foresight and commitment,



## Keeping up the ties

PRISCILLA DUNCAN AT 90 IS A charming and vivacious woman who is continuing her late husband's tradition of loyalty to Oregon State University—even though she's an alumna of the University of Oregon.

Reared in Astoria in a family that greatly prized education, Priscilla Eakin took a degree in zoology at the U of O in 1925. She considered going into medicine or medical research, but "my math skills weren't good enough," she says. She worked as a laboratory technician for a few years, and then took a job at Emanuel Hospital in Portland, designing and maintaining the hospital's record-keeping system.

It was as a single career woman in Portland that she met Gordon Duncan, a young sales engineer for a mill-equipment company. Their friendship grew slowly—he was based in Seattle and she lived in Portland—but it deepened into love. Some years later, they were married.

The Duncans built a house on the shore of Puget Sound, in the Seattle suburb of Burien, as newlyweds in 1938.

After Duncan's retirement the couple traveled extensively, making trips to China, Japan, New Zealand, Australia, and Europe. They traveled several times to Scotland to visit the Aberdeenshire country where Duncan's father was born.

Mrs. Duncan lives in a retirement center nearby, but she spends much of her time in the house Gordon built, now a bed-and-breakfast operated by the Duncans' daughter, Priscilla Stephenson. The gardens are her special purview.

She is active in several clubs and still likes to travel. In the past year she has traveled to California, British Columbia, and Hawaii, and she made the trip to Mount St. Helens in June with the OSU President's Club. "She may be 90 years old," says her admiring daughter, "but she's hard to catch."

the College of Forestry's Legacy Scholarship Program is giving other grateful students the opportunity to do the same.

### Norma Erickson donates forest land

ONE OF THE COLLEGE'S MOST SIGNIFICANT gifts last year came when Norma Greenwood Erickson donated the larger part of the Willamette Valley timberland where she and her first husband, John Greenwood, raised their four children.

It was on a three-week camping trip in 1965 that the Greenwood family found it—a beautiful, 130-acre parcel of timbered property near Grand Ronde, on the banks of a winding river. There was a lovely house on a knoll overlooking pastured land.

The parcel was just a quick stop for the real-estate salesman, a once-over check of a new listing. The family he had in tow—John Greenwood, his wife Norma, and their son, 11-year-old

metallurgical engineer and she as a school nurse. Would they be able to make it in a new place?

First of all, was the owner willing to hold the property for a year? She was. The Greenwoods made a down payment and went home with a purchase agreement. The house in the San Fernando Valley was put up for sale, and in 1966 the Greenwood family came to Oregon to stay.

They did find good jobs—John went to work first for Polk County and then for the Oregon Department of Revenue, and Norma was hired as a public health nurse for Yamhill County.

The years went by, and the Greenwoods adopted three more children. Then John, Sr., died in 1983. Norma moved to Salem and, a few years later, married her current husband, Albert Erickson.

Last year Norma Erickson donated most of the property to the College of Forestry. "I was thrilled to find out that by making this gift we could

*A gift with meaning. Norma Greenwood Erickson's gift honors her late husband.*



John, Jr.—were up from southern California, and they were not seeking anything but bare vacation property.

But the beautiful parcel stayed in their minds as the Greenwoods continued their camping trip north into Canada. So they cut their vacation short and rushed back to Oregon.

They had begun to think about more than just a vacation retreat. Could they possibly make a move to Oregon? Both John and Norma had good jobs in California, he as a

establish a memorial to my first husband and also do something to help the economy of the state."

Her donation took the form of a life income agreement. Under this arrangement, the property is sold and the proceeds used to fund a trust. The trust contributes income to the donor for as long as he or she lives, and sometimes (as in Norma Erickson's case) to offspring of the donor. Then the trust's principal reverts to the recipient—in this case, the College of Forestry.

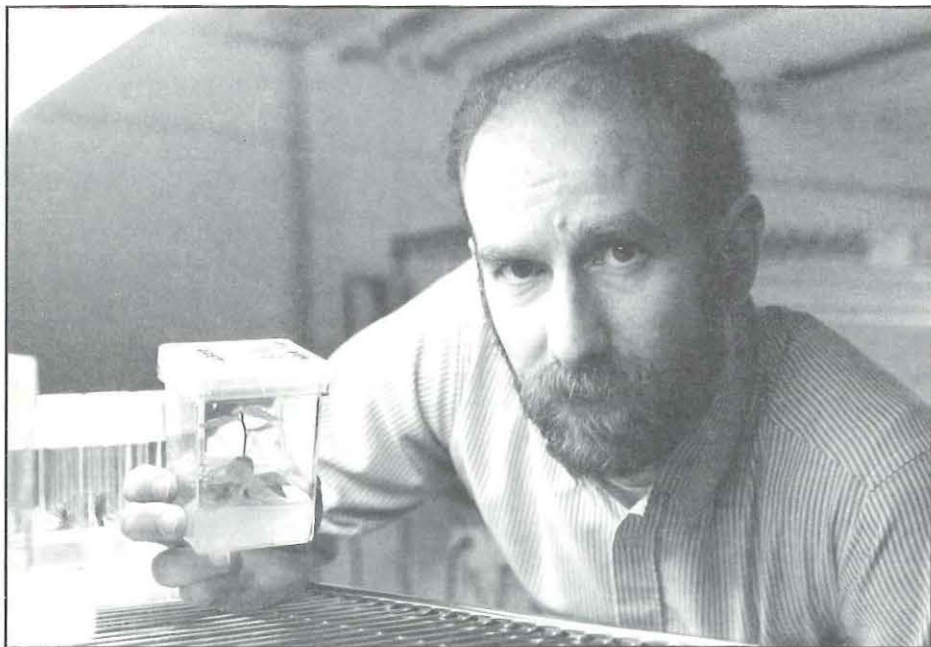


## Starkers support gene research

A TIMBER FAMILY WITH A LONG HISTORY of generosity to the College of Forestry has given \$30,000 to support research into tree genetics.

Starker Forests, Inc., of Corvallis is

research is still in its early stages. However, the potential payoffs are big. Bond and Barte Starker envision such ultimate benefits as the ability to splice a fungus-resistant gene into conifers, make crop trees resistant to weed-killing herbicides, and engineer



making the gift to help further the "tremendous opportunities for tree improvement that are presenting themselves in this area," says Barte Starker, executive vice president. Barte, his older brother Bond, and their mother Betty Starker Cameron own and manage Starker Forests, 58,000 acres of second-growth timber in the Oregon Coast Range.

The gift will go to support the College of Forestry's gene-research program, headed by forest science associate professor Steve Strauss. Other than that, there are no strings attached, says Barte Starker. "We'd like to be kept up to date on his research, but we don't want to tie his hands. He's such a tremendous asset to the College and the University, and we want to help keep him here."

Although Strauss hasn't yet chosen a specific research agenda, he hopes to use the gift to attract a top-flight graduate student to OSU. "I'm hoping to get somebody who's really top-notch, capable of infusing new energy and creativity into the program," he says.

Genetic engineering has been a reality in some agricultural crops for a few years now, but in forestry the

shade tolerance into Douglas-fir so seedlings can grow better under a canopy.

### A hand reaches out to help

THERE ARE AS MANY WAYS TO GIVE AS there are impulses of generosity in the human heart. Some gifts are commemorated with plaques, banquets, newspaper headlines. Others are marked only by a smile, a handshake, and a grateful memory in the heart of the receiver.

Iwan Ho's gift was the quiet kind—one hand extended to help another, the most authentic gift of all.

Last year, Ho, a Chinese-born scientist who works for the USDA Forest Service Pacific Northwest Research Station in Corvallis, quietly helped support a Chinese graduate student, Wang Zheng-Qi, until he finished his studies this spring.

*Helping a countryman. Iwan Ho knows what it is to be a student in a foreign land.*

Wang was working on his master's degree under forest science professor Mike Newton. Together they were researching the possibility of plants' obtaining water from deep within rock through tiny root hairs. The project had received no grant support.

Newton was helping fund the research—and some of Wang's expenses—from his own pocket. And Wang had some support, but not much, from his country's government.

"I met him one day in the lobby," says Ho. "He talked about his research and about wanting to continue his master's studies. I thought he wouldn't have enough to live on, so I went to Mike and talked with him about it."

Ho began writing monthly checks

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*Trees of the future. The Starkers believe Steve Strauss' work points to better forestry in the years ahead.*

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for \$100. He wanted to remain anonymous, so the money was disbursed to Wang through Newton. For several months Wang didn't know who his benefactor was, but eventually he guessed, Newton says.

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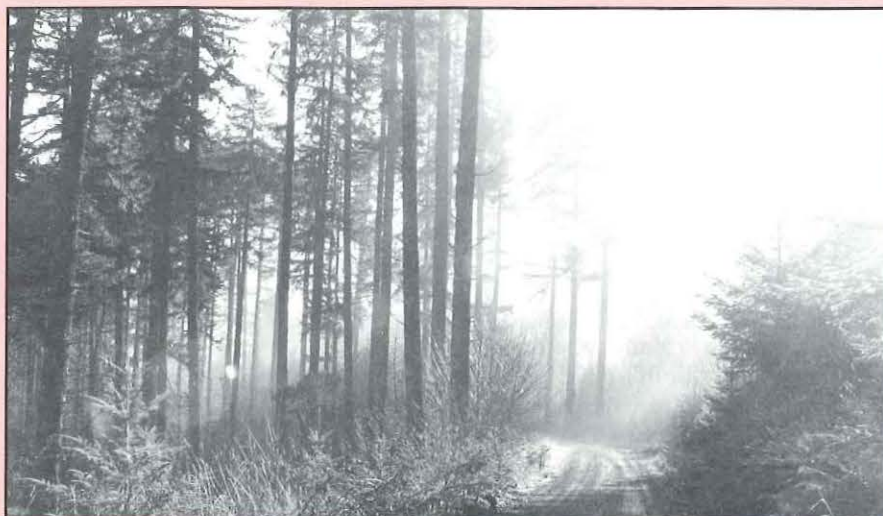
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Ho, who became a naturalized citizen in 1971, remembers what it's like to be a foreign graduate student. He came to this country in 1958 from Suzhou, China, via Taiwan, to get his master's in plant pathology at Louisiana State University. He earned his doctorate at OSU in 1978, studying soil microbiology under forest science professor Jim Trappe. It was a gratifying experience, he says—"This forestry school treats its foreign students very, very well."

Paper Chase," developed by the College of Forestry's Oregon Forestry Education Program (OFEP) with the help of grants from two pulp-and-paper firms.

Pope and Talbot, Inc., and James River Corp. each gave \$4,200 to support "The Paper Chase," a set of teachers' materials developed by educator Barbara Middleton, director of OFEP; volunteer Corey Arentz; and Philomath middle-school teacher Jo Nowak-Thompson.

"The Paper Chase" consists of a video presentation on the history, production, uses, and economics of paper; a set of classroom activities; a

the ages of their students," Middleton explains. "For instance, a high-school teacher might focus on the chemistry of papermaking, a middle-school teacher might introduce the connection of paper with natural resources, and an elementary-school teacher might focus on the ways people use paper."

The companies are happy to have the opportunity to tell their story, says Bob Rummel, manager of fiber operations for Pope and Talbot. "The events of the past few years have put us too much into a reactive mode," he says. "We realize that education is really the long-term direction for us, and it immediately occurred to us, when Barbara approached us about ("The Paper Chase"), that this would be an excellent way to get our message out."

Pope and Talbot in turn approached James River, and the two companies decided to fund the project jointly. Rummel says both companies would consider funding future educational-outreach efforts,



*A mill in miniature. Holly Jackson, left, and Donna Marshall try their hand at papermaking with the OFEP's kit. Both girls are students at Philomath Middle School.*

Still, even though he worked as a research assistant and had some savings, going to school was a financial struggle. In making his monthly donation, says Ho, "I saw that in a small way I could do something to help (Wang). A hundred dollars doesn't go very far, but it can help buy groceries."

Wang, his master's program completed, is working in San Francisco, Newton says. He intends to return soon to his home city of Ningxia in northwestern China.

### Papermaking comes to the classroom

THIS FALL, 30 OREGON TEACHERS WILL learn how to make paper right in their classrooms. They'll be using a hands-on instruction kit called "The

list of teaching strategies; and a miniature but complete papermaking kit.

The idea for the project, Middleton says, came from teachers themselves. "I get phone calls from teachers all the time, asking for papermaking information and hands-on projects."

Thirty teachers of grades 1-12 from schools in Willamette Valley towns near Corvallis will learn how to use "The Paper Chase" in a November workshop. Also on the workshop agenda will be a tour of the Pope and Talbot-James River mill complex at Halsey, southeast of Corvallis. The teachers will each take home a "Paper Chase" package to share with their students and with other teachers at their schools.

"The package is set up so that teachers can approach the subject from different angles, depending on

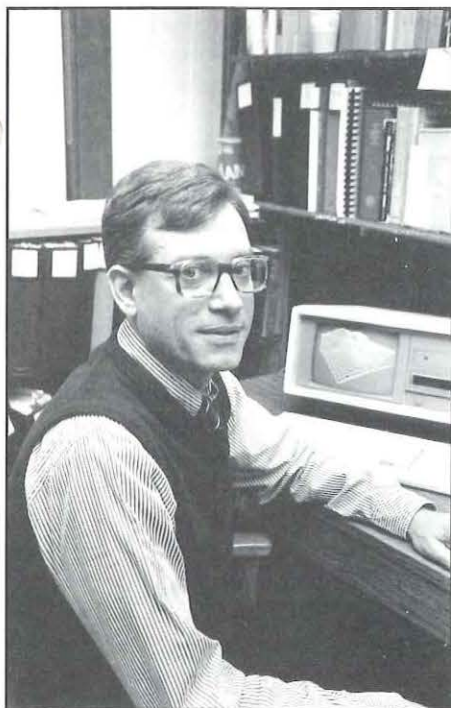
particularly those targeted at urban schools, if this one is successful.

The companies are making some of their people available for classroom demonstrations, and they are encouraging participating teachers to tour the mill site again with their students.

Teachers who can't be part of the November workshop may borrow "The Paper Chase" package from the College of Forestry. Interested teachers should call Barbara Middleton or Corey Arentz at 737-2128.

OFEP is funded entirely through private donations. The College's development office has set a goal to raise a \$2-million endowment fund to support OFEP. "This is a maximum priority within the college," says Lisa Mattes, development director for the College of Forestry.





### For these donors, loyalty runs deep

THERE ARE MANY WAYS TO GIVE, AND College of Forestry donors Paul Adams, John Sessions, and Jim Wilson illustrate three of them. Adams named the College as beneficiary of a life insurance policy. Sessions gave a tract of land. And Wilson wrote a check to support a major new research facility.

These three donors have something else in common: they're all on the faculty at the College of Forestry. Their loyalty to the college goes beyond the ties of workplace and paycheck.

These professors and others (please see our Honor Roll in the center spread of this issue) give because they really believe in the college—and because they want to back a winner.

Jim Wilson and his wife Marie supported the new Wheeler Wood Composites Laboratory at the College's Forest Research Lab with a donation of \$1,000. The Wilsons thereby joined the group of 10 major corporate and individual donors to the lab.

The composites lab, dedicated earlier this year, is part of the university-wide effort to establish a Center for Advanced Materials Research at OSU. The Wheeler Lab is devoted to basic research into the engineering of wood-composite building materials

Wilson, a professor of forest products, has spent his career finding better ways to use wood. He was instrumental in spearheading action on the new lab and in garnering support from other donors. "If I was going to promote the significant advantages of the composites lab," Wilson says, "the least I could do was support it myself."

John Sessions' donation of property was a big gift in a small package. The 1.1-acre parcel sits next to an upscale residential development on Vineyard Mountain, north of Corvallis, right on the boundary of McDonald Forest.

Sessions and his wife, Judith, purchased the parcel in 1989 for \$24,000 and donated it to the

an interdisciplinary-studies degree at OSU. They are long-time donors to the College of Forestry.

They don't do things by half measures, says John Sessions. "All my life, whatever effort I was part of, I've always supported it one hundred percent. I'm proud of this College, and I will do whatever I can to make it better."

Paul Adams gives because he believes in giving back to the institution that nurtured his career—and he's delighted to find himself in a position to do so relatively early in life. "My career so far has been very

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*Sessions, left; Wilson, below center; and Adams, right. For them, giving means giving back.*

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College in 1990. Its current appraised value is \$28,000 and rapidly appreciating. The land is now under the administration of the Research Forests, but it could be sold in the future to support college programs.

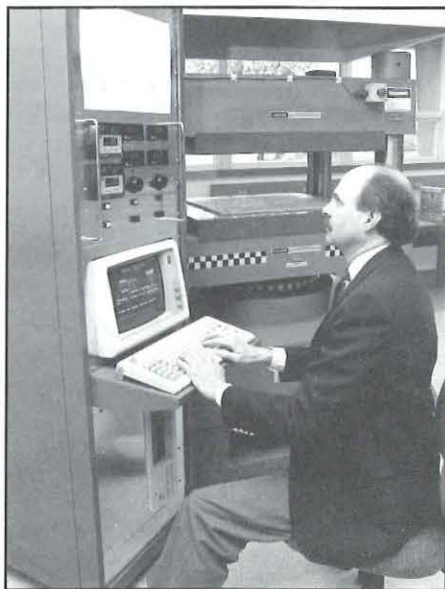
Sessions is a professor of forest engineering who received his doctorate here, and Judith Sessions earned

rewarding," says Adams, 38, an associate professor of forest engineering, "and to get to the point where you have the financial resources to give something back—well, it's a good feeling."

Two and a half years ago, Adams and his wife, Ginny, took out a \$25,000 life insurance policy and named the College of Forestry as beneficiary. Because Adams is young and healthy, the premiums are fairly low—about \$340 a year. Thus the Adamses are making a potentially sizable donation without having to lay out the cash right away.

The gift is only the beginning for Adams. He'd like to make future gifts in honor of his parents, Sam and Melanie Adams, who had little formal education but who encouraged Paul and his two brothers to excel in their schooling.

"There are so many options for giving—property, stock, life insurance," says Adams. "Giving is something nearly anybody can do, and I would hope more people will start thinking about it."





## Gift enhances Forest Engineering computer lab

THE WIDOW AND TWO SONS OF A former professor and department chairman have given \$10,000 to the Forest Engineering Department at the OSU College of Forestry. Joan Davies and her sons William and Robert made the gift in memory of William A. "Bill" Davies, who was a forest engineering professor at OSU for 27 years.

The gift made possible the purchase of three new computers for the forest engineering graduate students' computer lab. The computers, custom-built by Micro Solutions of Corvallis, have a 386-type operating system, four megabytes of RAM, and a 71-megabyte hard disk. They run at 25 megahertz—"that means they're fast," said forest engineering instructor Brian Kramer—making them well-suited for the complex calculations engineers must perform.

"These new machines are state-of-the-art and a great boost to our graduate program," said Bill Atkinson, forest engineering department chairman.

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*The best in the business. Joan Davies looks on as Jim Kiser puts a new computer through its paces.*

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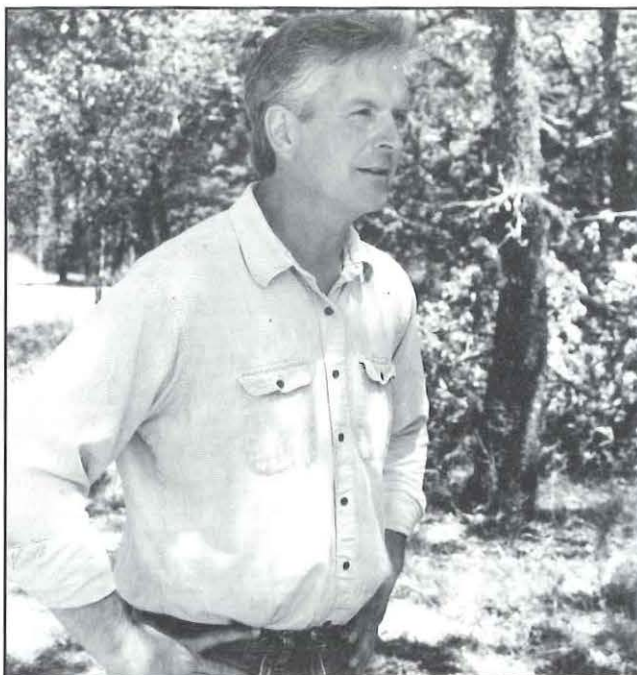
"They're the best in the business."

Bill Davies joined the OSU faculty in 1946 and became forest engineering department head in 1951. He stayed in that position until his retirement 1976. Davies died in 1987.

### Scientists should practice science, not raise money, says this donor

RICK STRACHAN'S MOST RECENT GIFT to the College of Forestry was inspired by a story in the *Wall Street Journal*—a story not about forestry but about a scientist who had to spend all his time raising money.

"Personally, I think this situation is



a tragedy," Strachan wrote to Dean George Brown in a letter last winter. "I hope that in some small way, I

may help alleviate any comparable problems at the College of Forestry."

The letter included a \$10,000 check to be used for basic forestry scientific research, with this directive: "I want (the money) to get out to the scientists who are doing the research that is so important to our state, forest industry, and environment."

Strachan is a 1978 College of Forestry graduate in forest management. A strong timber component of the state economy, he argues, is far more important, both to the region and to the nation, than many people realize. "I am struck by how many people think lumber comes from the lumberyard," he says. "I sense a

reluctance to link forestry to the products we use every day."

And yet past logging practices have imperiled the productivity of some good timberland, he

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*Supporting sound research. In giving, Rick Strachan expresses his convictions about well-researched forestry practices.*

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says. Today's harvest methods need to protect the land both immediately and for the long term.

"If we're going to harvest fiber, then maintaining the productivity of the site is the bare minimum. We've got to start thinking beyond the short-term time frame."

Strachan supports research that looks for ways to harvest timber without damaging the environment. For example, the research of forest engineering professor Loren Kellogg on light cable-logging systems is an effort Strachan has supported with previous gifts. These newer harvest systems show promise for selective logging or thinning of second-growth stands with a minimum of disturbance to the forest floor.

"I think the (College) does excellent work in this area," Strachan says, "and that's why I support it."

### Gestures of the heart

OUR DONORS GIVE NOT ONLY OF THEIR money but of themselves. They support efforts that touch them—whether it's a passion for making a better forest, an urge to lend a helping hand to a student, or a grateful offer of thanks for a satisfying career. Their giving is no detached or perfunctory flourish—it is a gesture from the heart.



# His roots are in the woods

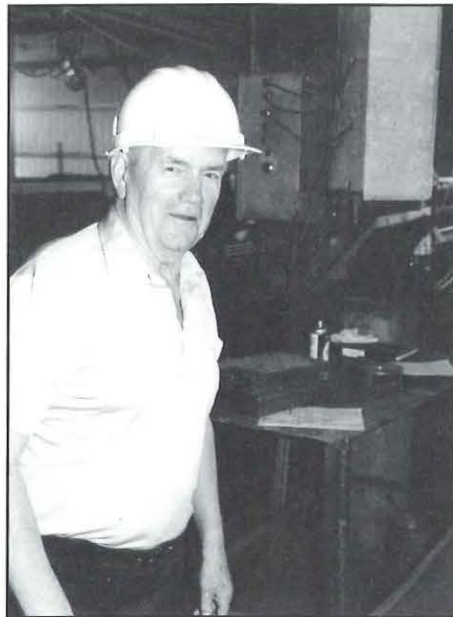
**F**aye Stewart was born in a logging camp 76 years ago, and he hasn't strayed much from his roots since then. In his long and productive life he has become a leader within the Oregon timber industry and an outspoken advocate for its interests.

In many ways, Faye Stewart's life exemplifies industry progress. He got a university degree in forestry (OSU Class of '38) at a time when most people in the industry, even those in top positions, didn't think a college education was necessary. He continues to generously support College of Forestry research directed at finding better ways to manage forests.

Faye, his older brother, Loran L. ("Stub") Stewart, and their brother-in-law, Larry Chapman, took over a small and struggling company known as Bohemia 45 years ago and

end to it, and a new start."

Say the word "preservation" and Stewart's eyes flash fire. "You preserve a forest and you've lost it forever," he declares. "I believe I'm as much a conservationist as anybody, but I mean 'conservationist,' not 'preservationist.' The prettiest thing I can think of is a thrifty stand of second growth."




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*An industry advocate. A hard-hatted Faye Stewart shows a visitor through the shop at Western Coatings.*

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turned it into an industry giant. Under their leadership, Bohemia pioneered the development of wood-composite building materials like laminated beams, particle board, and MDF (maximum-density fiber-board), and pushed open new domestic and overseas markets for these products.

Another Stewart company, The Flying Scotsman, Inc., pioneered the use of helium-filled balloons to log the steep canyonsides of coastal Oregon. Faye Stewart is the company's president and chief executive officer.

Stewart believes passionately that cutting timber is necessary to keep forests healthy. "There's only one way, Mother Nature's way," he says, "and that's to open up the stand and start a new one. There has to be an

Stewart came into the world under the tall, old-growth timbers. His arrival in the logging camp near Rujada, Oregon, southeast of Cottage Grove, was heralded by a locomotive whistle. "Dad had arranged with the crew to whistle once for a boy, twice for a girl," he says. The single, long whistle told LaSells David Stewart that his second son had arrived.

LaSells Stewart, son of Scots immigrants, was a man of singular enterprise. Young Faye revered him. "My father never graduated from the sixth grade," he says, "but he became a skilled engineer. It was unbelievable to me as a kid that he could do the things he did, and I guess I wanted to do them too."

LaSells Stewart, however, wanted more education for his boys than he'd had. So after Faye graduated from

high school at Cottage Grove (lettering in football, basketball, and baseball), he enrolled at Oregon State Agricultural College, as it was then, to take a degree in logging engineering. When he graduated in 1938 he went to work for his father, who with two partners owned a sawmill and logging operation they called Bohemia, after the Cascades peak southeast of Eugene.

When the war came, both Stewart brothers joined up. Faye—then Colonel Stewart—was on the island of Saipan when he got the letter from his father: Bohemia was to be sold.

"I wrote back and pleaded with him not to sell," Stewart says. But his father was getting on in years, the company's equipment was wearing out, and the good millhands were off fighting the war.

When Loran and Faye got back home, they offered to buy the company. Their father refused—in its rundown condition it wasn't a fit opportunity for his boys. But finally his sons argued him down. They struck a deal, and in 1946 the Stewart brothers and brother-in-law Chapman became the new owners of Bohemia.

The company then consisted of a sawmill and a logging operation near Culp Creek, in Lane County. The mill was "the damndest piece of junk you ever saw," Stewart says. "But we had good men, and we were fortunate enough to make some real fine timber buys."

Soon Bohemia was back on the high road. The company expanded through the years, building new plants and buying up other mills in the Eugene-Cottage Grove area.

Faye Stewart still works an eight-hour day, at least, at another company, Western Coatings (he's president and CEO there, too), which shares a building north of Eugene with The Flying Scotsman. The company coats and sells steel reinforcing bar.

The Stewart family has been

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## Stafford wins Aufderheide Award

Forest biometrician Susan Stafford received the 1991 Aufderheide Award for excellence in teaching. The award is based on nominations from students, and the winner is chosen by a student committee of Xi Sigma Pi, the national forestry honorary.



Stafford received the award at the 1991 Fernhopper Banquet in April. "I'm thrilled," she says. "This is a very special award because it's from the students. We're fortunate to have such an excellent cadre of students here."

Stafford, an associate professor of forest science, teaches a graduate

class in natural resources data analysis. Her students come from the Colleges of Science and Agriculture as well as the College of Forestry. She also advises several forest-science graduate students.

## Trappe is named Outstanding Scientist

A professor of both forest science and botany received the Northwest Scientific Association's 1991 Outstanding Scientist Award.

The award was conferred on forest mycologist James Trappe at the Association's March annual meeting in Idaho—although Trappe wasn't there to receive it because he was in Australia conducting research on mycorrhizal fungi.

Trappe was chosen for his outstanding contributions to science, especially in the fields of mycorrhizae and taxonomy of mycorrhizal fungi. He is past president of the Association and also of the Mycological Society of America.

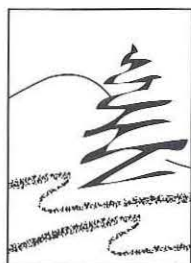
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generous to OSU, especially the university's forestry, science, and athletics endeavors, and to many other community organizations. Perhaps the best-known Stewart gift to OSU is the family's support of the LaSells Stewart Center, named in honor of the Stewart parents, LaSells and Jessie Hills Stewart.

The Stewart Center's nameplate is a huge, intricately carved, three-dimensional wooden panorama of Bohemia Mountain. The mural depicts a century of logging technology—an ox team, a donkey engine, a Caterpillar-type skidder, a high-lead spar, a helicopter, a balloon. And tucked into odd corners are woodpeckers, coyotes, Oregon grape, vine maple, ferns, and other denizens of the forest.

The sculpture is Faye Stewart's vision of the Oregon forestry at its best: a healthy, productive landscape shared by man and nature. "I've always loved the woods," he says reflectively. "It's always been a place for me to go, to get lost in, to enjoy the scenery—and to make a livelihood."



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