

OSU REFERENCE LIBRARIAN SPENDS SEMESTER AT SEA

BY DARREN NOBLE

Imagine traveling around the world on a ship. Many people only dream of such an adventure. Yet, for Laurel S. Maughan, a reference librarian at OSU's Kerr Library, this dream became a reality. Signing on as a librarian aboard the 600 ft. ship, SS UNIVERSE, in a program called "Semester at Sea", Maughan spent much of her time on the top deck where the ship's library was located. She got her sea legs quickly, as the ship would often roll back and forth. Many times, as huge waves would crash against the ship, the books in the library would slide back and forth on shelves, a bar being the only thing keeping them from falling off. "Sometimes you'd wonder how far it would roll before it would roll right over," said Maughan.

The Semester at Sea program, which is sponsored by the University of Pittsburgh and the Institute for Seaboard Education, occurs twice a year—in the spring and the fall. Maughan took part in the 1994 fall academic term, along with 25 faculty members, 20 staff members, and 425 students.

"The whole point of the Semester at Sea program is to give students an opportunity to get acquainted in a rather concentrated way, with different kinds of cultures, economies, people—to see the world



Laurel Maughan touring St. Petersburg

they're going to have an active part in—in a very close context," says Maughan.

Each faculty member teaches two undergraduate classes, usually at the 200-300 level. Students are enrolled for 12-15 credit hours each. Maughan says the program spends 60 days at sea and 40 days in 12 ports throughout the world. While at various ports, students and faculty can take class-related field trips or tour on their own.

"The whole thing was just such a wonderful experience," says Maughan, whose sea experience began in Vancouver, B.C. and moved across the Pacific Ocean. During her voyage Maughan visited Kobe, Japan; Beijing, China; Hong Kong; Cambodia; Vietnam; Istanbul, Turkey; Israel; Odessa, Ukraine; the pyramids in Giza, Egypt; and

Fes, Morocco. Her trip concluded by going across the Atlantic to Florida.

Maughan recalls her visit to the Tear Drop Mountains in Guilin, south central China, as being especially enjoyable. "They're the most unique geological formations that I think I've ever seen in my life. They're limestone rock mountains and the wind and the water has carved them into really strange shapes."

The Hermitage Museum in St. Petersburg, Russia, one of the major art museums in the world, was another remarkable visit, to

which Maughan exclaimed, "even to spend a few hours there was just fantastic."

Maughan also visited several university libraries during her trip, including the library at the Chinese University of Hong Kong as well as the Istanbul University Library. She says the library in Hong Kong is somewhat similar to OSU's library in architectural features and the services provided; however, Istanbul University's library is quite different because there are no open stacks. If someone wants a particular book they need to request it from the main desk.

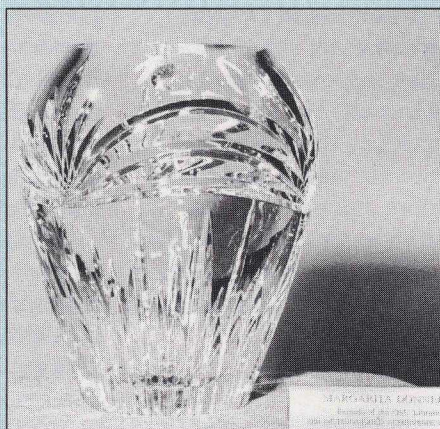
Overall, Maughan found it difficult to pick out one particular visit or experience as being the best. "It's hard for me to say. The whole thing was incredible."





FRIENDS OF OSU LIBRARIES DISTINGUISHED ACHIEVEMENT AWARD – ESTABLISHED 1994

The annual award is presented, with an accompanying modest honorarium, to individuals who through their lives and pursuits of profession and avocation, have distinguished themselves and serve as standards of excellence. The award is given to recognize distinguished achievement in fields included in the Oregon State University curriculum. Recipients are invited to the University's campus to accept the honor and to present a program relating to their achievement before an audience of invited Friends of OSU Libraries.



The 1994 OSU Libraries Distinguished Achievement Award.

It is intended as well that all honorees will be recognized with a special, permanent display to be created in The Valley Library, which is scheduled to open at Oregon State University in 1998.

Nominations are made by Friends of OSU Libraries and the honoree is selected by a committee of the Board of the Friends of OSU Libraries.

Recipients to date:

- 1994:** Margarita Donnelly, Managing Editor, CALYX, Corvallis, Oregon
- 1995:** Sir Francis Crick, Nobel Laureate and co-discoverer of the molecular structure of DNA.
- 1996:** Pending

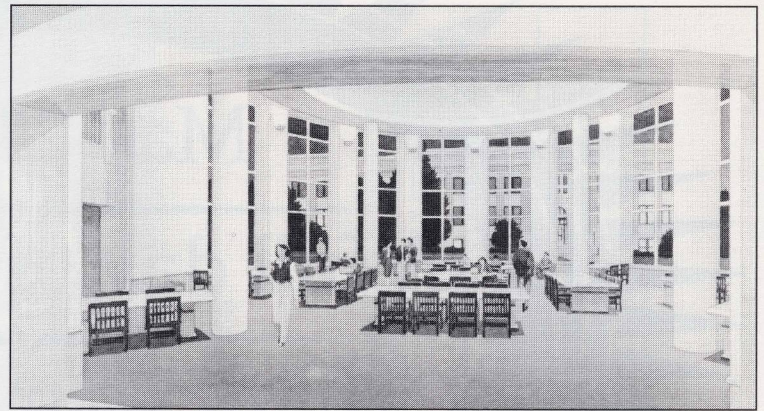
This year's award will be presented during groundbreaking celebrations on May 23–24. Detailed information will be provided at a later date.

THE VALLEY LIBRARY TO SERVE OREGONIANS INTO THE 21ST CENTURY

THE VALLEY LIBRARY, AN EXPANSION AND RENOVATION OF THE UNIVERSITY'S 33-YEAR-OLD KERR LIBRARY, IS SOON TO BECOME A REALITY ON THE CAMPUS IN CORVALLIS.

It's 1999. An Oregonian in Pendleton needs snow melt statistics from the National Weather Service. She stops by, or calls into, the OSU Extension Office for Umatilla County and connects to OSU's new Valley Library via the Extension Network Access System. The Library is a \$40 million, 318,000 sq. ft. facility opened the year before, and equipped with state-of-the-art information access services for users in the building and throughout the state. Connected, the user then goes through the library, as hub, to the Library of Congress where the needed information is identified and flashed back to her in Pendleton.

An OSU student visits the same library that afternoon, along with classmates assigned as a study team from Forestry to analyze forest growth patterns in southwest Oregon using computer simulation of decades of growth and seasonal impact. The team has a group study room reserved for the next six weeks, and from the room, has access to the Library's extensive map collection and aerial photo collection of Oregon forests. The previous



Artist's rendition of reading room in Lundeen Rotunda

library, 33 years old in 1995, offered no such study facilities or information access equipment.

While all that goes on, a faculty member studying the history of Christianity and its implications for campaign speeches in 20th century American politics sits back in a reading room in the new library's Lundeen Rotunda, contemplating how best to translate what he is reading to his students on the campus, and to another class he teaches in Malheur County via distance learning networks.

All of this is taking place thanks to gifts from OSU alums, faculty, students, parents, friends, businesses, foundations, and organizations along with support from the

citizens of Oregon through legislative challenge grants made in 1993 and 1995.

The Valley Library, an expansion and renovation of the University's 33-year-old Kerr Library, is soon to become a reality on the campus in Corvallis. The building will represent the first great research university library facility to be constructed for the 21st century, according to library architects with SRG Partnership in Portland and Sasaki Associates in San Francisco.

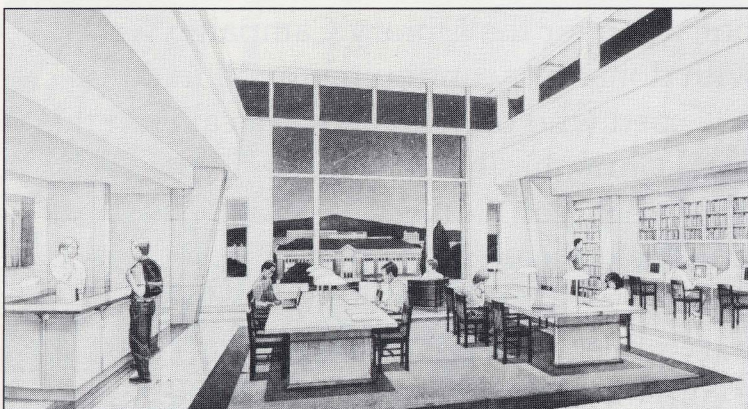
The new facility will provide users more volumes, increased study locations, computer access connections at all study locations, group study rooms, faculty and graduate student study carrels and sophisticated computer networking both within the OSU campus and around the world.

Artist's rendition of a group study room



PENDING COMPLETION OF THE FUND-RAISING CAMPAIGN, CONSTRUCTION IS SET TO BEGIN THIS MAY, WITH COMPLETION EXPECTED DURING THE SUMMER OF 1998.





Artist's rendition of Special Collections reading room

"WITH GIFTS STILL TO COME FROM NEIGHBORS IN THE SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES AND FROM OREGONIANS THROUGHOUT THE STATE, WE HOPE TO PUT THE CAMPAIGN OVER THE TOP BY THE END OF MARCH", SAYS CLIFF DALTON, DIRECTOR OF LIBRARY DEVELOPMENT.

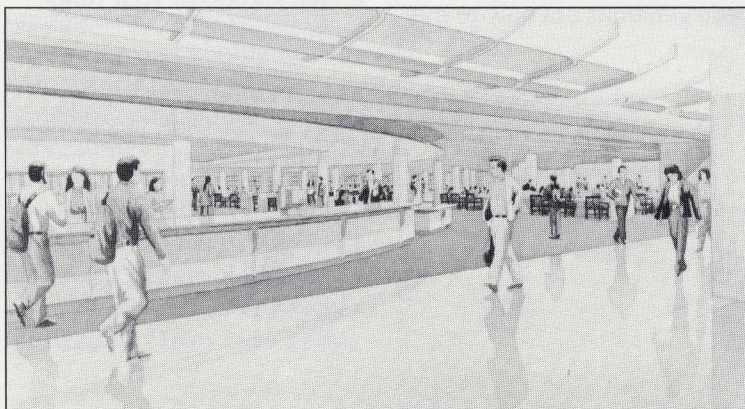
The OSU Library Campaign, the program which helped raise the \$40 million necessary to build the new facility, stands within \$2.3 million of achieving its goal. "With gifts still to come from neighbors in the surrounding communities and from Oregonians throughout the state, we hope to put the campaign over the top by the end of March," says Cliff Dalton, Director of Library Development.

The facility will serve the OSU campus as well as local area users from Benton, Linn and Lincoln Counties who receive free circulation privileges at the library due to their geographic location near either the Corvallis campus library or the Guin Library at the Hatfield Marine Science Center in Newport. Additionally, people living elsewhere in Oregon will be able to access the library through OSU Extension offices, other libraries, and home and office computers connected to on-line services.

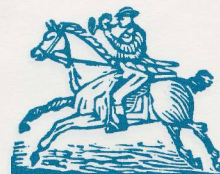
"The role of the library today is changing from a storehouse of information to being an access point to information," says University Librarian Melvin R. George.

"While the OSU collection, including more than 1.3 million volumes and such rare documents as the papers of Linus Pauling, is immediately accessible to users, the OSU Library now has the responsibility to connect users to other information resources around the world." According to George, the new building will provide the means to meet that obligation in an efficient and accurate manner. "The new library will serve students, faculty and community users well into the 21st century," says George.

Pending completion of the fund-raising campaign, construction is set to begin this May, with completion expected during the summer of 1998. An estimated 400 construction jobs will be created by the project.



Artist's rendition of Information Commons



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The fall student phonathon for the Library Campaign was very successful, with donations continuing to roll in daily. Erin Culley, an OSU coed who participated as a caller in the phonathon, came back from Christmas break with her own special present for the library. Her father, Bob Culley, Class of '63, was called in September during the phonathon. At that time, he agreed to make a contribution of \$50. During the holidays, Erin spoke with her father about the Library project and answered several questions for him. In doing so, she convinced him to contribute \$1,000 to the project so that their family name could be honored on the Walk of Honor!

Personal testimonials from a few of our donors follow...

I enclose a check to endow a library chair in the name of my father, Charles Langridge.

This is a small token of appreciation for the courtesy extended to me by your library and by OSU generally. Although I have had much experience over the years with large and distinguished libraries as a faculty member at other institutions (including Harvard, Princeton and the University of California), I have been delighted with the holdings, computer cataloging, and helpful service I have found at Kerr Library. Your library has been generous not only to me,

but to two of my visiting daughters — one an archaeologist and one a wildlife biologist. Both found the references (both books and journals) that they needed, and were very pleased with the friendly and helpful service.

I am delighted to learn of the very successful fund-raising campaign for the proposed expansion of facilities, both physical and intellectual, and am very pleased indeed to know that my donation will be matched by the chairman of your committee.

With best wishes for the continued success of your fund-raising activities,

Robert Langridge
Visiting Professor, Biochemistry and Biophysics

Dear Sir or Madame:
Here is a small contribution for the Library Expansion Fund. It is the same amount as my state tax refund. I believe these funds can do much greater good corporately than they can individually, and I hope many other people will do the same thing.

I have thought many times what a great privilege it is to live within walking distance of a world class library. Kerr Library has enabled me to access literature from around the world that is relevant to my botany and ornithology projects. In addition, I just like to know things. Knowledge is imperative to keep our republic, republics all over the world, and the very world we live in intact. Thank you for providing what we need.

Sincerely,

Kathy Merrifield





William Jasper Kerr Library on
OSU campus

Atttn: The OSU Library Campaign. I would like to donate the enclosed \$250 towards the OSU Library Campaign for the expansion of Kerr Library. Furthermore, I would like to have a library study chair placed in my name. I am a bachelor of science graduate of mechanical engineering (1990) from Oregon State, and it is a distinct pleasure to help out with this building project. It is also gratifying to know my donation will be matched by Oregon State's gracious benefactors: the Wayne and Gladys Valley Foundation, Martin and Judy Kelley, and the Oregon Legislature.

An excellent library is both a necessary and fundamental fixture for any institution of

higher learning. The expansion of Kerr Library will allow future generations of scholars opportunities to explore, question, and learn. I, myself, am thankful for the many hours I was able to spend at that Library learning, thinking, and wondering. It was a fine resource for my research projects and served as an excellent place to meet with my fellow students. I also found it to be a comfortable and contemplative place for thought and reflection amidst the beautiful campus.

My experience at Oregon State provided me with the fundamentals with which to soar. Following graduation, I spent nearly three years at Battelle, Pacific Northwest Laboratories in Richland, developing energy conservation approaches and researching advanced energy systems. I then went back to graduate school at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute (Troy, New York)

and finished my masters degree in mechanical engineering (with a concentration in bio-medical engineering) this fall. I am now working as a design engineer at the Hospital for Special Surgery in New York City in a group that develops and designs orthopaedic implants. While at Rensselaer, I married Linda Hastings of Connecticut who I originally met at Battelle. At some point, we are looking forward to returning to the Pacific Northwest. I am excited to visit the campus when I return home to Albany to visit my folks over Christmas later this month.

Sincerely,

Keith K. Daellenbach



SPECIAL EVENTS FOR LIBRARY FRIENDS

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Opening Night of the 1995-96 Portland Celebrity Forum series occurred on October 18 with the appearance of former President George Bush. Bush spoke to a sold-out audience at the Oregon Convention Center in Portland about his reflections on the Presidency and the challenges that remain.

The OSU Friends of the Libraries and The Campaign for the OSU Library have continued to sponsor the Celebrity Forum series as a promotional opportunity for support of library programs.

Invited guests enjoyed a sumptuous dinner together

before the lecture by Bush. Among the guests were Ellen and Charles Drake of Corvallis. Ellen, a Friends of the Library Board member, was especially thrilled at the invitation.

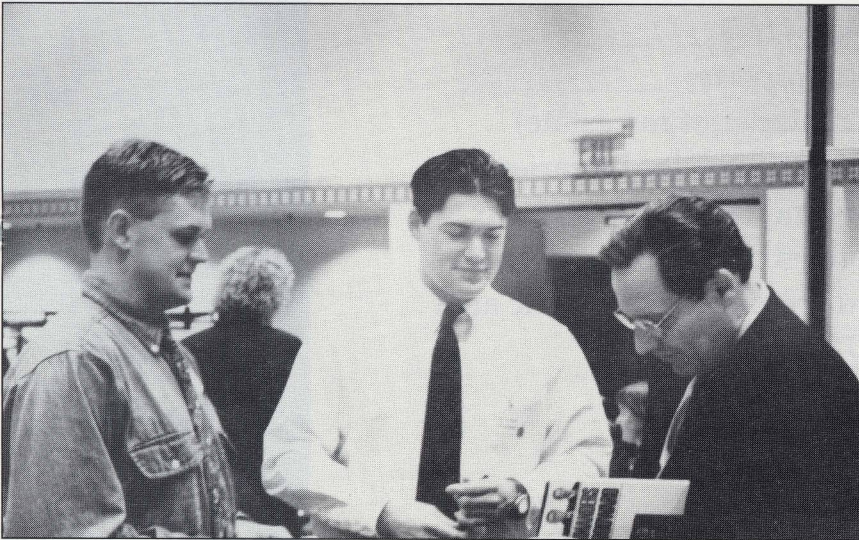
Ellen Tan Drake's father and President George Bush's father were 1917 classmates at Yale. Prescott Bush, George Bush's father, later went on to become a U.S. Senator from Connecticut. After Ellen came to the United States from China to attend Bryn Mawr College, her parents made the trip from China to attend her graduation. This was during the time of the communist takeover of China, and following Ellen's graduation, her parents learned they would not be able to return to

their home in Shanghai. Prescott Bush and some of his Connecticut legislative colleagues came to the rescue of the Tan family and introduced a private bill in both the Senate and House to allow the Tan family to become permanent residents of the U.S. and apply for citizenship. The Tan family has always felt enormous gratitude to Prescott Bush. Ellen hoped to have a chance to relay this gratitude to his son, George Bush.

Ellen got her chance. The evening culminated with keepsake photos taken with President Bush — all in all, a very special evening for the Drakes.

George Bush with Ellen and Charles Drake of Corvallis





(above) Dwayne and Jan Foley, Bob Woodward, Betty and Les Buell, Cliff Dalton, and Jon Isaacs at the Celebrity Forum. (left) Investigative reporter and author, Bob Woodward, with OSU students.

The November Celebrity Forum featured Bob Woodward. Woodward's appearance was also sponsored by the OSU Library Campaign and the Friends of the OSU Libraries.

As an investigative reporter and assistant managing editor of The Washington Post, Woodward really knows the

inner workings of Washington, D.C. He has written books about the Supreme Court, the CIA and the Clinton administration, and is the only person to have written seven non-fiction books which made the bestseller list. Speaking to a packed auditorium at the Oregon Convention Center in Portland, Woodward talked about the politics of 1996, the topic of his next book. Invited guests of the OSU Libraries enjoyed a dinner and private

session with Woodward prior to his lecture. About 40 OSU students, many of them in student government, made the trip to Portland to hear Woodward as a means of thanks from The Library Campaign for ASOSU's \$1 million gift to the building project. They enjoyed the opportunity to meet Woodward and secure autographs of his latest book.



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You can make a lasting contribution toward education by including the OSU Libraries in your estate plans.

With the help of your attorney, consider adding the following to your will:
"I give to the Oregon State University Foundation, Corvallis, Oregon, the sum of \$ _____
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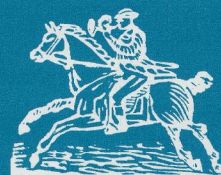
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- ▶ Includes: William Jasper Kerr Library on the OSU campus and the Marilyn Potts Guin Library at the Hatfield Marine Science Center in Newport.
- ▶ The Friends organization was founded in 1943.
- ▶ Currently, more than 7,000 Friends are participating in support of the OSU Libraries.
- ▶ \$2,787,966 was raised through gifts to the Friends in 1995, including investments in The OSU Library Campaign and other Friends endowments and programs. This gift total does not include pledges made but not yet received.
- ▶ The Friends organization has pledged \$575,000 to The OSU Library Campaign to be paid before the pledge deadline of June 2000.
- ▶ Friends sponsor the annual Distinguished Achievement Award, founded in 1994.
Honorees to date include:
 - 1994 Margarita Donnelly, Editor, CALYX Publishing
 - 1995 Sir Francis Crick, Nobel Laureate and Co-Discover of molecular structure of DNA
 - 1996 To be announced
- ▶ Friends support a year-round program of Docent tours of Library Special Collections and Artwork.
- ▶ Friends' gifts and investments support collections, automation, special research, and training for library faculty and staff and enhanced services for students, faculty, staff, alumni and community users.

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Dear Friends of OSU Libraries:

This issue of the Messenger includes a reply envelope for annual membership gifts to the FRIENDS organization. Rather than pay for a separate mailing, the annual request is included with this issue. I hope you will respond as generously as you can.

*David Hackleman, President
Friends of OSU Libraries*