KNOWLEDGE ERUPTION
Donor-funded hiring initiative could make Oregon's world-class volcanology program even better
For a comic-book fanatic like paleobiologist Edward Davis, it just makes sense that he’d be totally captivated by the sabertooth salmon. Five million years ago, this fanged fishosaurus (up to 8 feet long!) swam the Pacific and spawned in Oregon rivers—territory Davis knows well as a researcher with the UO’s Museum of Natural and Cultural History.

Today, we’re the only public university with our own sabertooth salmon skulls. Davis pokes, prods, and x-rays them with radiation that would kill mere mortals. He’s already made earth-shattering discoveries about the salmon thanks to recently discovered specimens.

What drives his curiosity? Something he calls fourth-dimensional biology. Hint: he calls his blog “Biology across space and DEEP TIME!!!!” Davis wants to learn—and teach—how species have evolved over eons. Unlocking these secrets could lead to answers about ecology, climate change, and our own species.

Fossils Forever
When the UO was founded in 1876, state geologist Thomas Condon was our first science professor. Lucky for us, he brought his enormous fossil collection with him. The Condon Collection of Fossils has grown to more than 100,000 specimens—the only one of its kind in the state.

This treasure trove from the past provides important clues about our future, helping UO scientists gain key insights into patterns of climate change. Your gift to the Condon Fund will help preserve the collection and, more importantly, make it available for cutting-edge research by scholars around the globe.

—Ed Dorsch, BA ’94, MA ’99
INSIDE OREGON

INSIDE OREGON—SEATTLE
We took the celebration around the nation, and then we took it to Seattle. On May 20, Ducks gathered to honor donors and create even more excitement for the university’s $2 billion campaign.

PHILANTHROPY FILES
News about donors, gift announcements, and stories about the difference donors make.

MAGMATIC ATTRACTION
Volcanologists are seeking donor support for a faculty cluster hire that will make the UO one of the world’s top research centers for volcanoes. Their goals include predicting eruptions earlier and more accurately, keeping people safer, and tapping into the vast potential of geothermal energy.

A VERY GOOD YEAR
Congratulations, graduates, and thank you, donors. This spring, more than 5,000 Ducks earned their diplomas. Read about some of the many students whose futures look bright thanks to donor-funded scholarships.

ALPHA DUCKS
This May, the UO honored Ancer Haggerty, BS ’67, and John Herman, BS ’60, with its annual Pioneer Awards—one of our highest honors. In addition to the scholarship funds raised at the event, generous gifts were made to create Pioneer Award Presidential Scholarships in their names.

10 WAYS TO GIVE
Highlighting opportunities for donors to help the UO and transform lives.

Fundraising Factoid
Lane County’s Union University Association (UUA) was created in 1872 to make Eugene the site of Oregon’s new state university. The Oregon legislature agreed—if the UUA would build a $50,000 building and give it to the state. Lane County residents organized strawberry festivals, church socials, and produce sales to raise the funds.
AN IRRESISTIBLE MATCH

New president credits philanthropy for making him the person he is today

Philanthropy is a deeply personal act. For some, their passion for giving—and inspiring others to give—comes from feeling its power directly.

“I would never have received the education I did had it not been for scholarships,” says Michael Schill, who joined the University of Oregon July 1 as its 18th president. “My parents, neither of whom went to college, had very modest incomes. They are wonderful parents, but they didn’t have the resources to send me to a great institution.”

A first-generation college student, President Schill credits generous scholarships for making his education at Princeton University possible. That experience inspires him to fundraise in support of affordability and access for Oregonians.

“I was the beneficiary of a liberal arts education that opened up my world, made me a better human being and a better citizen,” Schill says. “I was very fortunate that Princeton accepted me and awarded me scholarships, which were incredibly generous. We must do whatever we can to enhance access, to make it possible for the people of the state of Oregon with modest incomes to be able to come here, and be supported while they are here.”

Schill comes to the UO from the University of Chicago, where, as dean of the law school, he more than quadrupled gifts received by the law school. He will now put his skills to work on the UO’s unprecedented $2 billion dollar campaign goal.

“I love fundraising,” Schill says. “It is wonderful to play matchmaker between people with a love for the institution and a school which has needs. My goal as president is to find what makes people passionate about Oregon and then try to put something in front of them that they will find irresistible. We are a great institution of higher education, and we can be even better. I’m looking forward to a partnership with our generous supporters to make that happen.”

—Michael Schill
President, University of Oregon
On May 20, more than 150 loyal Ducks gathered in Seattle to celebrate the successful start to the university’s historic $2 billion fundraising campaign and discovered the many ways to get involved. The UO has hosted campaign rollout events for friends, donors, and alumni in more than 16 cities and regions.

Future Events
Bend August 20
New York October 22

Left-to-right: Elaine Bowers; Mike Fancher, BA ’68; Oystein Harsvik, BS ’88; UO trustee Connie Ballmer, BS ’84; Betty Staniak, BS ’80; Tracy Wong, BA ’81; Interim Edwin L. Artzt, Dean Julie Newton; Eric Staniak, BS ’80

Roger Thompson, vice president for enrollment management

Ed Maletis, BS ’76, Cyndy Maletis, BA ’78, Steve Ballmer and UO trustee Connie Ballmer, BA ’84

Beth Stormshak, director of the UO’s Prevention Science Institute
Treasures from the film career of Oscar nominee James Blue, BA ’53, the first American to win the Critic’s Prize at the Cannes Film Festival, have been donated to the University of Oregon Libraries. The 76 boxes of his films and other materials will be a boon to future scholars.

Private gifts fund research across the entire university. In many cases, they also pave the way for projects that lead to grants (and further research). For Philip H. Knight Chair Dan Tichenor, endowed research funds helped jump-start his work with undocumented immigrants in the US. Because of his initial success, the Carnegie Corporation of New York recently granted him a $200,000 award.

The newest sculpture on campus, positioned near newly renovated Straub Hall, reflects the merger of earthly and spiritual realms. “Luna,” a bronze work by Ellen Tykeson, MFA ’94, is “an archetypal female figure that juxtaposes the beauty of the mysterious with acceptance of the burdens inherent in life,” says Tykeson. Her work has been commissioned for public sites in Oregon and Southern California, and has been selected for inclusion in the National Sculpture Society’s annual show in South Carolina.

Luna gazes upon renovated Straub

This photo of Alfred Hitchcock with documentary filmmaker and alumnus James Blue (circa 1968) is part of a collection donated to the UO.
COACHES CONTRIBUTE TO PATHWAY OREGON EFFORT

The football coaching staff matched the donations of 232 fans to generate more than $380,000 for PathwayOregon scholarships in less than three weeks.

These funds will be combined with federal, state, and university dollars to provide tuition, fees, and advising for low-income, deserving Oregonians. The coach’s challenge concluded with the annual spring game. “We appreciate our great fans and their support of this fantastic cause,” UO head coach Mark Helfrich said. “Their contributions will provide educational opportunities for Oregonians in need.”

FIELD OF DREAMS

Last spring, we announced that women’s softball would get a new stadium. This spring, the team won its third straight Pac-12 title, set new offensive records, and entered the Women’s College World Series as the number-one team in one major poll. Call it coincidence, perhaps, but big thanks go to Bob Sanders, BS ’51, who donated $16 million to lead the drive for a new facility at Howe Field. The program’s future home will be named Jane Sanders Stadium in honor of Bob’s late wife, O. Jane Daggett Sanders, BS ’50.
Great Couple of Ducks

Generous donors, tireless volunteers, and loyal Ducks, Phyzz and Andy Berwick share Oregon memories and their passion for the Oregon Bach Festival

Since they first met at the UO, Phyllis “Phyzz,” BEd ’56, and Andy Berwick, BBA ’55, have stayed true to their school. They’ve also been tireless supporters of the Oregon Bach Festival (OBF) since attending their first performance in 2004.

This summer marked the debut of the Berwick Academy, a historically informed performance program established by a $7.25 million gift from the Berwicks last year. This June, they gave another $6.5 million to help build a new home for the OBF on campus.

Andy is founder and president of Berwick-Pacific Corporation, a commercial real estate firm. He’s a UO Foundation Board trustee and a member of the board’s advancement committee. Andy also served as cochair of the OBF endowment campaign. He and Phyzz received the festival’s highest honor—the Saltzman Award—in 2010 and one of the university’s highest honors, the Pioneer Award, in 2014.

They established the Richard C. Williams Endowed Student Leadership Fund in 2004 to honor Andy’s college mentor by supporting UO leadership scholarships and programs.
How did you meet?

Phyzz: We first met at the Erb Memorial Union (EMU) when I was a freshman. I joined a committee that Andy was heading. Later, I was cochair of a dance at Carson Hall, but I didn’t have a date. I mustered up my courage and asked Andy. He surprised me and said yes.

What did you learn from the UO?

Phyzz: Leadership and confidence. That’s what the UO gave both of us in various ways. The EMU was definitely a major part of that. There were so many opportunities for students, whether you were a woman or a man. And to me, it was very confidence-boosting and empowering. There were no qualms that we couldn’t do it or you were the wrong gender. A job had to be done, and why not?

Andy: Business school was great, but the student union was really my training ground. The students ran the EMU. When I had a decision to make, I’d write all my options on a yellow pad, along with the pros and cons. Dick Williams, the EMU’s first director, was my mentor. He’d hear me out, then he’d say, “I can’t tell you what to do. It’s your decision.” Throughout my business career, I continued to use my yellow pad to weigh the options and make a decision.

Any fun memories from the EMU?

Andy: We booked some pretty famous acts in those days, such as Dave Brubeck, the Four Freshmen, and Danny Kaye. I was in charge of picking them up at the airport and entertaining them during their visit. One year, Groucho Marx performed at the student union. That was a challenge. Let’s just say he lived up to his name.

When did you discover the Oregon Bach Festival?

Andy: In 2004, Dave Frohnmayer invited us to a performance. We’d been going to the San Francisco Symphony for decades, but we didn’t know anything about the Oregon Bach Festival. We didn’t know what to expect.

Phyzz: Andy told me to clap loudly, no matter what.

Andy: When they finished the first piece, we realized this is world-class music. From that point on, we wanted to help the festival.

Why is music so important to you?

Phyzz: For younger people, music completes the process of learning in your brain. It makes you smarter and more sensitive. It enhances your life and, for me, it touches my soul.

—Ed Dorsch, BA ’94, MA ’99
Volcanology cluster hire could make UO’s program one of the world’s best, helping predict eruptions more effectively and making the most of geothermal energy
Volcanoes—fiery, explosive, and often unpredictable—have long captured the public imagination. Capable of both creation and destruction, they represent the history and the future of our planet.

Right here in Oregon, we have four volcanoes considered to have high to very high potential for a major eruption. From Mount Hood in the north to Newberry Volcano and the Three Sisters in central Oregon to Crater Lake in the southern part of the state, there is no doubt that we live on the Ring of Fire.

“This is an exciting time to be a volcanologist,” says Paul Wallace, professor of geological sciences at the UO and head of a new “cluster of excellence”—one of 10 initiatives to recruit researchers in areas where we have the greatest promise. The university is seeking donor support to catapult its volcanology initiative to prominence as one of the top programs in the world. “The volcanology cluster will focus on the use of new technologies for monitoring volcanoes and their eruptions to help protect people and infrastructure worldwide, and to help tap the resource potential of volcanoes for geothermal power.”
Eruption Experts

With donor support, Oregon volcanology could recruit a crew of top-notch scientists specializing in the following areas:

- **Physical volcanology**: Field studies of volcanic eruptions, chemistry of ash and lava, and hazard and assessment models
- **Volcano geodesy and remote sensing**: Use of satellite and ground-based instruments for monitoring activities, eruptions, and movement of ash and gas
- **Computational modeling**: Crunching numbers to study the physics of volcanic plumes, lava fountains, and ash deposits
- **Geothermal energy**: Exploring the potential of geothermal energy, and collaborating with industry in Oregon and the Pacific Northwest
- **Radiogenic isotope geochemistry**: Measuring the past to understand how volcanoes work and their effects on the environment

Approximately 90 percent of the world’s earthquakes occur along the Ring of Fire, a 25,000 mile horseshoe-shaped area with more than 450 volcanoes.
Research on the slumbering giants has taken on new importance as the world has become more interconnected and its population has swelled. Increasing numbers of people—estimated at about 600 million—are at direct risk from ash plumes and lava flows, particularly in Pacific Rim countries (including the United States), and in many developing nations where the exceptionally fertile soils along volcanic flanks have attracted legions of farmers. Meanwhile, the economic effects of eruptions are felt globally, such as when ash in the atmosphere after the 2010 eruption in Iceland closed down Western Europe’s airports at a cost of $1.7 billion.

UO’s volcanology department has been a national leader since prominent volcanologist Alexander McBirney created the Center for Volcanology in 1965. Now, with the planned hiring of four volcanologists with expertise in volcanic hazards, computer analysis, and geothermal applications, “there will be the critical mass of a large interdisciplinary group,” Wallace says, adding that the team will be better able to compete for federal grants that are available from the National Science Foundation, the Department of Energy, and the National Aeronautics and Space Administration. “This is a great opportunity to build bigger and stronger partnerships with these agencies,” he says.

The cluster hire encompasses several research fields that are at the forefront of volcanology. Two of the new positions will focus on active volcanic processes and hazards. “This will allow us to hire several people whose work will be focused on monitoring active volcanoes and on using new kinds of technology,” Wallace says. “Many volcanoes are dormant and then rumble back to life. We need to be able to read the warning signs accurately.”

Another new position will integrate volcanology with energy and resource development. “Geothermal energy can be a really important aspect of the world’s energy portfolio in the future,” Wallace says. “It’s expensive to develop upfront, but compared to wind and solar, it works 24 hours a day. The sun doesn’t need to be out, and the wind doesn’t need to be blowing.” Having a faculty position that is focused on geothermal energy also brings potential for industrial-academic partnerships, he says, adding that such partnerships “are really important to universities today.”

The fourth position, based in geochemistry, will bring together studies of active volcanoes with research on dormant volcanoes and past eruptions, including the effects of large eruptions on climate and biodiversity.

These new positions will also link the volcanology cluster to other research units on campus such as anthropology, geography, and planning, public policy and management.

“This cluster goes beyond basic research and into real societal relevance,” Wallace says. “We’ll be able to do exciting new things that will help mitigate hazards.”

—Rosemary Camozzi, BA ’96
Track Town to Motor City

Juwan Wedderburn
PATHWAY OREGON SCHOLAR

Hometown: Portland, Oregon
Major: Journalism; advertising
Awards and honors: Centurion Award, Ebony Man Award, Most Promising Multicultural Student Award
Future looks bright: Juwan is currently interning at the Leo Burnett Detroit advertising agency. “I’m excited. I want to prove to myself that I can make it in the real world.”
Finding his flock: After struggling to meet people during his freshman year, Juwan found his place on campus working at the Center for Multicultural Academic Excellence and the Black Student Union. He also cochartered a black fraternity on campus, Alpha Phi Alpha, and served as its president during his sophomore year. “It took a lot to charter the fraternity. After that, I felt like if I could make it through that successfully, I could do anything. Nothing’s going to stop me.”
Scholarship impact: Being a PathwayOregon student changed everything. “If it weren’t for PathwayOregon, I wouldn’t be in college—it’s as simple as that. It offered me the stability I needed to make it through school, especially during my freshman year, when I hadn’t found my place yet. That support is critical for first-generation college students.”
Message to donors: “Thank you for making college possible for me. You paved the way for me to have these opportunities and you gave me a chance at success. None of this would have happened if I hadn’t gotten the PathwayOregon scholarship.”

Inside Intel

Jordan Fisher
GIUSTINA FOUNDATION PRESIDENTIAL SCHOLAR, CUM LAUDE

Hometown: Pleasant Hill, Oregon
Major: Business administration
Future plans: Jordan landed her dream job as a financial analyst at Intel in Portland. “I am nervous and excited to join their team.”
Finding her passion: During her first year at the UO, Jordan wasn’t completely sure what she wanted to do with her career. Then she took some business courses that sparked her interest in finance. “I really like how finance looks to the future. The structure of the major also allowed me to take a broad range of classes and become a well-rounded student.”
Scholarship impact: She credits the Giustina Foundation Presidential Scholarship for giving her the freedom to have a rich college experience and laying the foundation for her to be successful. “The financial support allowed me to get involved in the campus community, focus on my studies, and follow my dreams.”
Message to donors: “The Giustina Foundation’s generous scholarship support made my college experience possible. Supporting a student’s education is also telling them you believe in them, and this motivated me to be the best student I could be. I cannot thank Dan and Ehrman enough for their continued support.”
All Time Highs
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*All related majors combined

Start It Up
Hanxiao “Tony” Zhang
PATHWAY OREGON SCHOLAR

Hometown: Portland, Oregon
Major: Computer and information science
Current job: Tony is a software developer at Symantec, a security and antivirus software company that hired him after he completed an internship there. “I like that I’m constantly learning new things,” he says.

Real-world experience: Computer science captivated Tony during his first year at the UO. To pay for living expenses, he took a job as a food-service worker for several years before finding paid internships in his field. He credits PathwayOregon with allowing him the flexibility to pursue internships related to computer science. “The internships have helped me figure out what I really want to do.”

Inspired by mom: After moving from China to the US when Tony was 15 years old, his mother took a job as a food-service worker before becoming a teacher. Like his mom, Tony worked in food service to help pay for living expenses while he was at UO. “Our paths have been similar in a way, and I’m inspired by how hard she works to become a better educator. I admire her diligence.”

Attitude of gratitude: “Thank you to all the donors who support the PathwayOregon program. My college experience would definitely have been different without their support.”

—Courtney Munther
Annika Hearn is a Spanish and international studies major from Ashland, Oregon, who intends to become a nurse practitioner. At the UO, she studied abroad in Ecuador, where she was an observer in a medical clinic. Now she wants to serve people right here in Oregon who have difficulty accessing high-quality health care. Annika says her Pioneer Award Presidential Scholarship has allowed her to benefit from educational opportunities that would have otherwise been out of her reach financially.

"Because I had the scholarship, I had the freedom to explore what I was really passionate about. I hope I can support a UO student in some way in the future."

Higher education is always about the next generation. The Pioneer Award Presidential Scholarship honors some of the best and brightest students in Oregon with four-year, full-tuition scholarships. An endowment of more than $1.5 million has provided scholarships to students such as Annika, helping them explore diverse academic interests and discover amazing opportunities. The scholarship exists to inspire high-ability students to become future leaders in Oregon.

Put your money where the Ducks are. Go to giving.uoregon.edu/pioneer to learn more about giving to the Pioneer Award Presidential Scholarship Fund.

Alpha Ducks

Every flock has its leaders. And every spring, we honor those Ducks among us who display a particular passion for leadership, a demonstrable stamina in the face of adversity, and the foresight to identify opportunities for future success. They are leaders who have taken risks and reaped the rewards in business, philanthropy, communications, politics, and the arts.

We call them pioneers. And they come in every generation. On May 14, the University of Oregon honored Ancer Haggerty, BS ’67, and John Herman, BS ’60, with its annual Pioneer Awards—one of the highest awards the university bestows. In addition to the scholarship funds raised at the event, generous gifts were made to create Pioneer Award Presidential Scholarships in their names.
Our 2015 Pioneer Award Honorees
The Honorable Ancer Haggerty is a champion of justice and served as a judge in the US District Court, retiring as chief judge. Dedicated to his community, family, and friends, he has served as an inspiration and as a mentor to young people, particularly those entering the legal profession. Judge Haggerty was born and raised in Portland and has been a central figure in the city's legal community for decades.

Judge Haggerty served for several years as a public defender. He practiced at Schwabe, Williamson & Wyatt before ascending to the bench. He was a judge in the Multnomah County District Court and Multnomah County Circuit Court before being appointed to the federal bench in 1993, becoming the first African American to serve as a federal judge in Oregon.

Judge Haggerty served as a Marine, earning a Purple Heart, a Silver Star Medal, a National Defense Service Medal, a Gallantry Cross, and other awards for his service during the Vietnam War. While attending Oregon, he played football and wrestled for the Ducks. He serves on the Board of Bar Examiners and the boards of such organizations as Goodwill Industries of the Columbia Willamette and the University Club of Portland.

John Herman is always at the front of the flock, even carrying the UO flag on horseback in the annual Pendleton Round-Up parade. A dedicated Duck, he chaired the Pioneer Award Gala steering committee for 18 years before receiving the award himself. He also serves on the UO Foundation Board and the UO Portland Council. Herman is a key supporter of the Lundquist College of Business and has been a captain on the Duck Athletic Fund since 1988. He sits on the selection committee for the Oregon Sports Hall of Fame and Museum. He has also been an important volunteer leader for such organizations as the Boys and Girls Clubs of Portland and the Oregon Historical Society.

Being a Duck is in Herman’s blood. His grandfather, Bert Brown Baker, commissioned the Pioneer Mother statue while serving as UO vice president. (The statue was inspired by Herman’s great grandmother and, during the Pioneer Award Gala, he gave the university a smaller version of the statue that the sculptor created as a working model for the campus icon.) Herman identifies with the UO mission, and he champions the university every chance he gets.

Professionally, he is a strategic partner of Veber Partners, a private investment bank. Herman spent most of his career in the apparel and footwear industries, leading such companies as Duffel Sportswear, InSport Activewear, and Sperry Top-Sider Apparel.

—Jonathan Graham
1 Dig the Classics
Your gift helps students connect with the ancient world. In summer programs led by classics faculty members, undergraduates join Mediterranean archaeological excavations where they learn from experts and enjoy an immersive adventure in language, culture, and intellectual inquiry. For many, it’s the capstone of their UO experience.

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2 Change History
Making sense of the past requires the tools of the future. Your gift for a new history lab will help students and faculty members conduct research and interpret data in new ways. Imagine tracing Lincoln’s correspondence in time and space. Or applying modern engineering to the ruins of Pompeii. New technology will make it possible.

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3 Give PhDs a Boost
In the UO’s Department of Computer and Information Science, PhD candidates drive research. Your gift for graduate scholarships will help fund a stipend for new doctoral students who want to spend summer on campus getting a head start. This powerful recruiting tool will help us compete for top candidates.

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4 Give Inside the Box
Located at the White Stag Block in Portland’s Chinatown District, the White Box is more than an art gallery. It’s a creative hub for students, faculty members, and communities. It’s also a visual laboratory and educational space. Your gift supports our efforts to connect people and explore the future of art, architecture, and design.

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* College of Arts and Sciences
5 Reach for the Stars
Perched atop a 6,500-foot Cascade peak near Bend, the UO’s Pine Mountain Observatory is a tremendous resource for UO students and faculty members as well as K–12 schools. Our newest telescope can be controlled and observed from Eugene. Your gift will help restore this Oregon treasure (first built as a professional research facility in the 1960s) to its former glory—and beyond.

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6 Make Us (More) World Class
Give to the Global Engagement Fund, and you’ll support the UO’s critical work to create a more global university and offer students and faculty members international experiences. This fund’s flexibility enables us to respond quickly to change and allocate resources effectively. Examples include study-abroad scholarships, international internships, multicultural programs, and international research.

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7 Prepare for the Big One
Faculty Excellence Clusters help make great UO programs the best in the world. Your gift to the volcanology faculty cluster hire (see story p.8) will help scientists discover how to better predict eruptions, protect people, and generate geothermal power.

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8 Send Students Packing
More than one third of Clark Honors College students spend part of their undergraduate years living and learning in another country. The college offers study-abroad opportunities in Oxford, Rapa Nui, London, Singapore, and Paris. Your gift helps top undergraduates take advantage of these and other global opportunities.

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9 Grant Wishes
More than 5,000 graduates earned diplomas this June. For many of them, scholarships reduced debt and enabled them to make the most of their college experience. For others, the dream of a college diploma would have been impossible without scholarships. Your gift for student support makes the difference.

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10 Start Global Conversations
Your gift to the Asian Studies Program will support innovative programs like our new Northwest China Forum. For the first time this spring, UO faculty members, graduate students, and other Northwest scholars gathered at the White Stag Block in Portland’s Chinatown District. By fostering collaboration, sharing, and discussion of the latest developments in China, these meetings enhance the UO’s connections with China and broaden scholarly research.

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Welcome to the second issue of *Inside Oregon*, formerly known as *Oregon Outlook*. We hope you enjoy this special update about how your gifts are creating opportunities and changing lives at the University of Oregon.

**Dream On**

**Good luck Ducks!** And thank you, donors, for everything you do. This year marked an all-time high for the number of students graduating and the total number of degrees earned. To learn more about the Class of 2015 and a few (of many) graduates with bright futures, see page 12.