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### **CFD Enters Final Weeks**

By Danielle Gillespie

The final prize drawing for the Charitable Fund Drive will be held on Friday, Dec. 5, and Sheila Gray, UO Libraries, says CFD hopes to have a majority of the contributions by then.

The grand prize, available to all who have contributed to the annual drive and turned in their pledge forms by 3 p.m. Dec. 5, is a year's membership to the Student Recreation Center.

The official deadline for contributions was Nov. 7, but Gray says CFD will continue to take contributions even into the new year.

"Our hope is to have all the donations in by Dec. 5," says Gray. "But that certainly doesn't mean that we will turn away anyone who donates later."

At last count, 534 givers in more than 70 departments had made contributions totaling \$115,700. Campus CFD officials are hoping to beat last year's totals of 880 givers who contributed more than \$223,000, says Libbi Loseke, UO public relations student intern with the campus CFD campaign.

For information, including replacement for lost or misplaced pledge forms, consult departmental CFD coordinators or call Gray, 6-1891.

Danielle Gillespie is a student reporter for Inside Oregon.

# **UO Libraries Plan Thanksgiving**

# Wellman Loves Ireland, Irish Music



By Danielle Gillespie

The country of Ireland is just slightly larger than West Virginia, and Lexy Wellman of the Arts and Sciences Dean's Office, is in love with every 27,135 square miles of it.

Wellman, who has lived her entire life in Oregon, has visited Ireland three times and has a passion for Irish music as well.

For 13 years, Wellman was a member of "Skye," a local Celtic band, and she played the guitar, the bodhran (Irish drum) and the doumbec (Middle Eastern drum). She also sang Irish and Scottish music. The band performed at the WOW Hall every St. Patrick's Day for 10 years and in 1999, the group released a CD, "It's About Time."

"The title seemed appropriate since it had been 7 years since we released our first cassette recording project," she says.

The members of "Skye" went their separate ways this past summer, and even though Wellman isn't currently performing, Irish music will always be a part of her, she says.

Wellman, who received a 2003 UO Classified Recognition Award for her work with the Arts and Sciences curriculum committee, first fell in love with folk music, especially Irish music, when she was 16 years old. She taught herself how to play the guitar and later perfected the drums and her singing.

During her sophomore year of college in 1972, Wellman took her

### Closure

All UO libraries will close at 5 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 26, and remain closed through Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, Nov. 27. Knight, AAA, Science and Law libraries will reopen at their regular hours on Friday, Nov. 28. For each library's regular schedule, visit < libweb.uoregon.edu/acs\_svc/hrs-acad.html > or call 6-3054.

## **Announcements and Briefs...**

#### Banner Upgrade to Interrupt Access Nov. 27-30

Computing Center staff will upgrade Banner during the Thanksgiving weekend. After this upgrade, all users will need to use Internet Native Banner (INB) to access student, employee and financial information stored in the Banner system, according to Susan Hilton, Computing Center administrative services director. Banner and Duckweb will be up and available all day Wednesday, Nov. 26, and Thursday (Thanksgiving Day), Nov. 27. Backup of the current system will start at midnight on Thanksgiving Day, at which time Banner and Duckweb will become unavailable. They will remain unavailable all day Friday and Saturday, Nov. 28-29, with a good possibility that they will still be down on Sunday, Nov. 30, too. "We appreciate your patience," Hilton says. "Everything should all be up and fully functional again by Sunday evening."

#### MLK Award Nominations Due Dec. 4

All members of the campus community are invited to nominate classified employees or instructional, research or administrative faculty members, either as individuals or as a group, for 2004 Martin Luther King Jr. Awards. The awards recognize university faculty and staff members who uphold and exemplify the ideals supported by the late civil rights leader. Nominations should be submitted to Kathy Cooks, Human Resources, at 463 Oregon Hall by 5 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 4. Recipients will be chosen by a selection committee and honored during a campus award reception on Jan. 29. For information, including an online nomination application, go to <a href="https://exemployee.com/hr.uoregon.edu">hr.uoregon.edu</a> or call Cooks, 6-2939.

#### Clarification and Corrections...

Two errors slipped into the Nov. 17 issue of *Inside Oregon*. The caption, "Grant Supports Archiving Northwest Sights, Sounds," erroneously identified **Robert Voelker-Morris** as an Arts and Administration GTF. He is currently the program coordinator for the Don Hunter project at the Museum of Natural History. The article, "New Hires, Promotions Energize Faculty," erroneously indicated that new faculty member **Krista Chronister**, Counseling Psychology, received her doctoral degree from Purdue. She is, in fact, a UO alumna, with master's and doctoral degrees from the University of Oregon. We regret any inconvenience or

first trip to Ireland to perform. As a member of Oregon's 1970 All-State Choir, she was invited by the Shenandoah Conservatory of Music based in West Virginia to audition for the 120-member band and chorus, All-Student Groups USA.

"We prepared a program of music and after three days of intensive rehearsal, spent the summer performing concerts every other night on a tour that covered nine European countries in 21 days," says Wellman. "I loved Europe; Ireland and Italy were my favorites."

Although Wellman loved Ireland, it wasn't until 1999 that she returned on an Irish Folklore Tour, organized by Irish musician and folklorist Mick Moloney.

"In the 1960s and 1970s, Mick Moloney's efforts were instrumental in the preservation of traditional Irish music," says Wellman. "The tour company he developed provides travelers with access to the culture and the heritage of various parts of Ireland and Scotland, featuring nightly concerts by fabulous local musicians."

On this trip, Wellman had the chance to play the bodhran with Moloney and others at a session during the Willie Clancy Music Festival, but "mostly I was there to hear those who were born with the music," she says.

Two years later, Wellman decided to take her son, Alex, to Ireland and explore more of the country together.

"Alex and I agreed that it would be fun to stay in one place, to pretend we lived in Ireland," says Wellman. "We stayed with locals on the Dingle Peninsula and walked and rode our bikes all over."

The town of Dingle, with about 1,500 people, has about 12 intersecting streets and probably 30 pubs where musicians play, Wellman says.

"The Irish just have incredible music, and Dingle offered everything from instrument makers to world class local musicians," she says.

The two had such a good time, they are planning to return to Ireland this summer and hope to explore a different part of the countryside on a seven- to 10-day walking tour, Wellman says.

"But we wouldn't think of returning to Ireland without reconnecting with the friends we made on the Dingle," she hurries to add

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embarrassment these errors may have caused.

# **Our People**

#### IN THE SPOTLIGHT

**Sharon R. Sherman**, English, was invited this summer by the U.S. Embassy and State Department to represent America in the fifth annual Slatioara International Film Festival in Romania where her two films, "Spirits in the Wood" and "Kid Shoes," taken together, received second place.

#### ON THE MOVE

Ross West, Media Relations assistant director and science writer, will become assistant editor of Oregon Quarterly, the university's award-winning regional magazine of ideas, and will begin his new responsibilities on Dec. 1. West will succeed **Brett Campbell**, who is planning to return to teaching at Journalism and Communication and also will be completing a book.

#### IN PRINT/ON DISPLAY

**Mikhail Myagkov**, Political Science, and Peter Ordeshook authored "Location and Political Influence: A Further Elaboration of Their Effects on Voting in Recent Russian Elections" in *Eurasian Geography and Economics*.

#### IN MEMORIAM

Gordon G. Goles, Geological Sciences emeritus, died Nov. 9 in Springfield of cancer. A graduate of Harvard and the University of Chicago, Goles, 69, joined the UO faculty in 1967 after six years at the University of California, San Diego. He retired in 2002. Goles and his UO research group set up research facilities to analyze samples returned from the Moon by Apollo Project astronauts. They analyzed and interpreted data from samples from all of the successful manned lunar landing missions. A memorial mass was held Nov. 17 at the Newman Center.

Highlights of the many public events and activities on campus are:

- Delivering the Robert D. Clark Lecture on Monday, Nov. 24, will be Daniel Slosberg of Los Angeles, a traditional fiddler and living historian. At 8 p.m. in the Gerlinger Hall Alumni Lounge, he will present "Pierre Cruzatte: A Musical Journey Along the Lewis and Clark Trail" in commemoration of the bicentennial of the Lewis and Clark Expedition. Cruzatte, an expert river guide, hunter and translator of mixed Omaha Indian and French lineage, was the expedition's main boatman and fiddler. Slosberg, dressed as Cruzatte, will portray the journey through story telling, songs and music on fiddle, jaw hap, bones and spoons. For information about the free program, appropriate for children and adults alike, call 6-3934 or visit <darkwing.uoregon.edu/~humanctr/>.
- At 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 25, join writers who contributed to the recently published collection "Best Essays NW" for a free public reading by authors of selections from the volume assembled by Oregon Quarterly and published by the University of Oregon Press. Barry Lopez will be on-hand in the Knight Library Browsing Room to make opening comments and introduce the many contributors, including writers such as Kim Stafford, John Daniel and Bobbie Willis, whose essays help to capture the essence of how Northwesterners dwell within the Oregon Country. A book signing will follow. For information, go to <a href="www.uobookstore.com/generalbooks/author\_evt.cfm">www.uobookstore.com/generalbooks/author\_evt.cfm</a> or call 6-4331, Ext. 228.
- THANKSGIVING VACATION, Nov. 27-28, is a holiday observed by classified employees represented by SEIU 503/OPEU as well as officers of administration, instruction and research (faculty). Employees represented by GCIU should check their collective bargaining agreement for holiday provisions. No classes will meet and UO operations will not be staffed except for those providing essential or emergency services. For information, visit < <a href="https://except.org/hr.uoregon.edu/policy/">hr.uoregon.edu/policy/</a> or call 6-3159
- The **UO** observance of World AIDS Day on Monday, **Dec. 1**, strives to express the urgency of the AIDS crisis. Campus events and activities, free and set from 11 a.m.-8 p.m., will include an art exhibit in the Aperture Gallery on the EMU Concourse; a featured film, "Pandemic," showing at 6 p.m. in the EMU Taylor Lounge; and various guest speakers and a musical performance in the Amphitheater. Show your support by picking up a red ribbon and lighting a candle for someone you know who has suffered from the AIDS epidemic. For information, call 6-0634.

For more about University events, visit the Calendar of Events.

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