

# Oregon Lawyer Update

University of Oregon School of Law ■ Winter 2003

## Environmental and Natural Resources Law

*Great Academic Program and Beautiful Offices—New Director Simply Strengthens The Package*

The law school had the academic credentials—one of the first environmental law programs and law clinics in the country. It had the space—the Bowerman family donated funds during the 1998 building campaign for a roomy suite of offices in the Knight Law Center.

What it lacked was a director. And now the dynamic wildlife and Indian law professor Mary Wood has stepped up to the job.

Two months into the directorship, Wood has taken charge of everything from communications systems to externships to furniture. She has loaned the center a velvet sofa and walnut desk that graced the law offices of her grandfather, Erskine Wood.

The elder Wood lived with Chief Joseph as a boy and practiced law in Portland.

"I want this to look and feel like an old Oregon law office," Wood said. "Environmental and natural resources law is part of our Northwestern heritage."

The UO law faculty already addresses vital environmental problems at the international, national and regional level, Wood said. "What the new structure enables us to do is offer students a richer academic environment and more placement support. We will be more visible, which will help the faculty reconnect with alumni and reach out to prospective students."

The ten Environmental and



Wildlife and Indian Law Professor  
**Mary C. Wood**

Natural Resources Law (ENR) faculty are certainly distinguished in their fields.

Wood herself is a fourth-generation Oregon lawyer. She is well known for major works on treaty rights, the Endangered Species Act, and the federal trust obligation towards tribes, and she is now working on a book that sets natural resources law into the broader framework of property law.

Colleague Richard Hildreth will take his turn as director of the program next year. Hildreth, a leader in ocean and coastal law, was one of the experts selected by the Pew Oceans Commission for their national

dialogue on restoring and protecting U.S. marine resources. His recent report on U.S. and International fisheries law is part of the scientific investigation on which the commission's national ocean policy recommendations to Congress in April will be based.

Rennard Strickland, of Cherokee-Osage heritage, is one of the founders of the field of Indian Law. The former dean has published over 26 books and has served as President of the American Association of Law Schools.

Mike Axline "was one of the first to pioneer complex litigation—landscape level litigation—around old growth forests. He has been a leader in developing the scholarly and clinical aspects of citizen suit litigation,"

Wood said.

John Bonine and visiting professor Svitlana Kravchenko are deeply involved in the global aspects of human rights and environmental law, "forging new ground in citizen

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ENR Director Mary Wood

diplomacy at the international level," Wood said. Kravchenko was elected last fall by diplomats from 44 countries to sit on the compliance committee for the Aarhus Public Participation Convention of the United Nations.

Keith Aoki brings his expertise in patent and property law to address issues of genetically modified foods and the world food supply.

Other professors enhance the environmental law curriculum: Ibrahim Gassama in international law and human rights law, Nancy Shurtz on environmental taxation and conservation easements, and Susan Gary in non-profit corporations.

### **Environmental and Natural Resources Law Program**

#### **Shaping the Law to Support Sustainability on Earth**

WHERE: Suite 225, Knight Law Center  
HOURS: Mon, Tue, Thu 10 A.M.-11 A.M.  
Wed 10-11 and 3 P.M. -5 P.M.  
Fri 10 A.M.-6 P.M.

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## Endowed Chair First to Honor Asian American

*60th Anniversary of Executive Order 9066 Marks Start of Campaign*



**Minoru Yasui '39**

On the sixtieth anniversary of Executive Order 9066—the presidential order that led to the internment of 110,000 Japanese Americans during WWII—the law school announced a proposal for a new Minoru Yasui Chair of Law. The February 19, 2002 proposal signaled the start of a campaign to create an endowment in honor of a civil

rights hero who was also the UO's first Japanese-American law school graduate. It will be the first endowed law school position honoring an Asian-American.

Yasui, who graduated in 1939, was imprisoned in 1942 for testing the constitutionality of the presidential order. In 1944, he passed the Colorado bar exam with one

of the highest scores that year but was denied admission to the bar because of his criminal conviction. With the help of the ACLU, he was admitted to the Colorado bar in 1946, and became a noted Denver civil rights leader. Yasui died in 1986.

Former dean Rennard Strickland, assistant dean Matt Roberts and law profes-

sor Keith Aoki presented the law school's Meritorious Service Award to Yasui's widow, True, at the annual Minoru Yasui Volunteer Awards in Denver last December.

Plans for the campaign to raise support are being coordinated by Matt Roberts and Professors Strickland and Aoki. For information about the campaign, call (541) 346-2125.

## Dean's Advisory Council

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**The Hon. Doug Mitchell** '83  
President, Law School Alumni  
Association

# Hardy Myers To Receive UO Law School Public Service Award

*Second Annual Frohnmayer Award Banquet to be held in Portland on April 4*

Oregon Attorney General Hardy Myers '64 will receive the 2003 Frohnmayer Award for Public Service at a dinner and reception at the downtown Portland Embassy Suites, 319 Pine Street, on Friday, April 4. The University of Oregon School of Law annual award recognizes a graduate, faculty member or friend whose public service brings honor to the school.

"Hardy Myers is one of Oregon's shining examples of integrity and dedication to public service," said UO president and former law school dean Dave Frohnmayer. "Over a lifetime of distinguished professional achievement, he has continued to devote himself to public service with the highest levels of energy and ethics. It has been my privilege to work with Hardy on numerous projects through the years. His name does honor to the award conferred on him."

The public service award was given last year for the first time to Frohnmayer who, like Myers, has served as Oregon Attorney General and as a state legislator. The award subsequently was named in honor of Frohnmayer and he will present it to Hardy Myers at the April banquet.



Attorney General **Hardy Myers**

Myers was selected by the law school alumni association from dozens of nominations. Portland Trail Blazers vice president and general counsel Mike Fennell '83 chaired the awards committee. He said, "Hardy Myers is the embodiment of what we expect for the recipients of the award."

Fennell said one of the many ways the UO law school stands out is in its tradition of public service by alumni: "Law school graduates comprise nearly half of this state's judges, for example, and can be found just about everywhere in Oregon where good legal works are performed."

Hardy Myers, who is in his second term as attorney general, represented NE and SE Portland during five legislative terms and was Oregon's Speaker of the House from 1979 to 1983. Myers served on the Portland planning commission and the predecessor of Metro and had a distinguished career with Portland's Stoel Rives law firm. He has been a successful law and policy reformer throughout his career.

To order tickets, call (541) 346-3865 or e-mail alumni@law.uoregon.edu.



## Message from the Dean

*Dean's Advisory Council Meets*

By Laird Kirkpatrick, Philip H. Knight Dean



The first meeting of the Dean's Advisory Council on January 31 was both a pleasure and an enlightening experience for me. The law school council welcomed new members **Don Corson '85** and **Chris Kent '85**, both former students of mine. **Ken Stephens '67** also was gracious enough to join.

All three of these Oregon attorneys remind me again of the quality of our school and the important contributions our graduates make to the legal profession. Ken, who practices corporate and securities law, is a founding partner of Tonkon Torp in Portland. Chris is a trial lawyer with his own Portland practice and is also a member of the law school's Appropriate Dispute Resolution board. He and his wife Mary Rice-Kent attended law school together—almost certainly the first married couple to do

so. Don, past president of the Oregon Trial Lawyer's Association, is a partner in the Eugene firm Johnson, Clifton, Larson and Corson.

They join a distinguished 23-member board led by **Nicholas Rockefeller**, whose sound counsel will support our school through its continued growth as well as the largest fundraising campaign in UO history.

Fortunate as I am to have this strong group of advisors, I think the group felt equally privileged to be part of a remarkably active law school. While we were meeting, law students were busy organizing a visit of the Navajo Supreme Court, developing a loan repayment assistance program and putting together an intellectual property and digital media symposium. We welcomed two new faculty members in business and evidence, as well as an assistant dean of finance and operations. Meanwhile, the faculty was teaching, publishing, and organizing our first-ever Portland lecture series.

We are going places. With your help, we'll go even further and faster.

*Laird Kirkpatrick*



Dean **Laird Kirkpatrick** with **John Jaqua '50 (L)** and **Bill Wheatley '59** at the dedication of the William Wheatley Faculty Library last October 25. The quiet study space, long awaited by the law school faculty, was given by Jaqua in honor of his partner, a noted Eugene litigator.

# Navajo Supreme Court Hears Arguments During Law School Visit

*Drug Liability Case Raises Issues of Tribal Court Jurisdiction Over Non-Indians*

The Supreme Court of the Navajo Nation heard oral arguments at the law school on February 6 in a product liability case brought against pharmaceutical giant Pfizer by sixteen members of the Navajo Nation and Zuni Pueblo. The case will help determine if Indians have the right to sue non-Indians in tribal courts. The four justices and their staff were brought to Oregon through the efforts of the Native American Law Student Association.

"We're a small group with a lot of heart," said NALSA member Rosa Chávez. The five-year old student group raised \$6,000 for the court's visit. The Navajo Supreme Court travels occasionally to U.S. law schools to give students a look at tribal law issues. This was its first visit to Oregon.

Oral arguments were heard by Acting Chief Justice **Lorene Ferguson**, Associate Justice **Marcella**



Law students **Rosa Chávez** and **Leilani Robinson** with the Hon. **Robert Yazzie**

**King-Ben** and an Associate Justice by designation, **Leroy Bedonie**. Retiring Chief Justice **Robert Yazzie** is known in the United States and internationally for his contributions to

intercultural and race relations, and his work on Indian legal doctrines and perspectives.

The case, *Nelson v. Pfizer*, raises the issue of scope as decided in recent

federal case law on tribal court jurisdiction over non-Indians. Sixteen members of the Navajo Nation and Zuni Pueblo claim they sustained injuries from the prescription diabetes drug Rezulin, known generically as troglitazone. The drug was withdrawn from the market at the request of the U.S. Food and Drug Administration in March 2000 after it was linked to at least 63 deaths from liver poisoning. A trial court ruled that it lacked jurisdiction in the case and the plaintiffs appealed. The Court said they would rule in about 90 days.

Based in Window Rock, Arizona, the Supreme Court hears appeals of trial court decisions from the Navajo Nation's seven judicial districts. Navajo courts have been in existence since 1959. Since 1985 they have been allowed more flexibility to use and promote traditional Navajo common law and legal traditions.

## Building a Portland Presence

*UO Law Takes Our Show on the Road*

With new offices in the UO Portland Center at Second and Yamhill—the very building where the law school opened its doors in 1884—the School of Law intends to reintroduce regular programming in Portland. Our growing urban presence soon will include summer classes, events and CLE for students, alumni and legal practitioners in the state's largest metropolitan area.

Portland program coordinator Steven Bender said, "Oregon's legal profession is centered in Portland—over 1000 of our alumni practice there. Many attorneys and friends of the law school have told us they want a closer connection to the expertise and experience of our faculty, and we intend to make those requests a priority."

Bender and seven other UO law professors have put together a series of traveling CLE lectures, which will be available to firms, agencies and sole practitioners who request them. CLE credits are pending for each one-hour lecture. For information about the full lecture series or to schedule a lecture, contact Steve Bender at (541) 346-3851 or email sbender@law.uoregon.edu.



### UO Professors in Portland 2003 TRAVELING LAW LECTURES

#### Every Lawyer a Securities Lawyer?

*Problems Under Section 307 of the Sarbanes/Oxley Act*  
Ted McAniff

#### Multijurisdictional Practice of Law

*How to Avoid Being The Test Case*  
Steve Bender

#### Internet Law: The Top 10 Developments

Keith Aoki

#### Intellectual Property Law for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century

Joe Metcalfe and Keith Aoki

#### Oregon Evidence: Recent Developments

Tom Lininger

#### Imposing Corporate Governance in Enron's Wake

Judd Sneirson

#### The Supreme Court and the Future of Punitive Damages

Garrett Epps

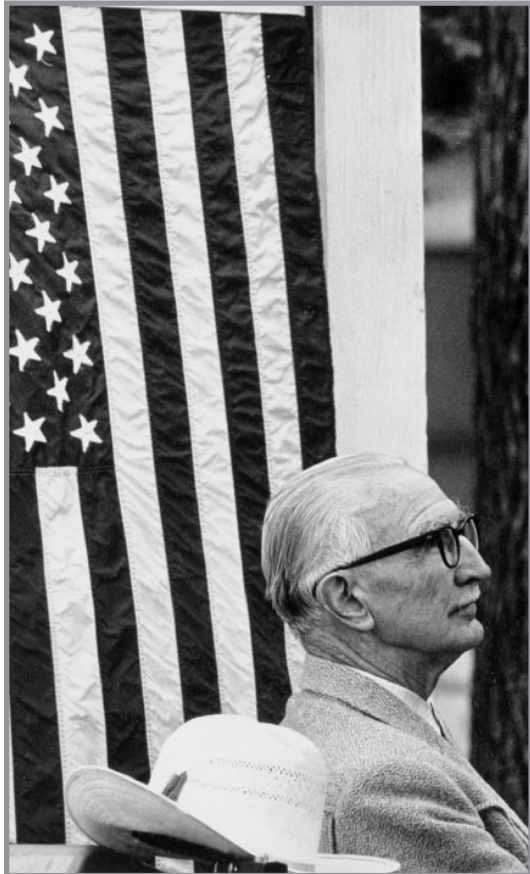
#### Taxation of Fringe Benefits: Current Corporate Scandals

Nancy Shurtz



# Author of “Reasonable Woman” Text To Direct Wayne Morse Center

*Caroline Forell Takes Helm of Law and Politics Program at Law School*



Wayne Morse

Caroline Forell has been named interim director of the Wayne Morse Center for Law and Politics, and will lead the center’s research, teaching and public events for the next 18 months. Forell, a longtime law professor and UO faculty leader, is best known for her groundbreaking book, *A Law of Her Own*, in which she and coauthor Donna Matthews advocate for a “reasonable woman” standard in legal cases involving rape, domestic violence and sexual harassment.

UO Provost John Moseley appointed Forell to take the place of founding director Margaret Hallock, who recently joined Oregon Governor Ted Kulongoski’s senior policy team.

An admirer of Morse, Forell has been a member of the center’s advisory board for seven years. She particularly remembers the senator for his early opposition to the Vietnam War. “I view as courageous—even heroic—the fact that a politician was not afraid to take an unpopular stand when it put him at such political risk. He had the common touch. Morse was a man of the people and I admire him greatly.”



Law Professor  
Caroline Forell

The Wayne Morse Center is planning its next two-year program around the theme of *The Changing Geopolitical Order: Implications for Peace and Stability*. Forell said, “This theme strengthens the connection between the UO campus, the community and the law school—it was the brainchild of Alec Murphy, a UO professor who is both a geographer and a lawyer.”

Her tasks include recruiting Wayne Morse Professors—visiting scholars—from the ranks of distinguished academics and new advisory board members from Oregon legal practitioners and the law faculty.

Forell particularly looks forward to selecting next year’s six Wayne Morse fellows from the law school student body. The coveted scholarships are worth \$6,000 to each student. Forell says, “We look for a balance between activism and stellar academic background. Our fellows are those we expect to continue to do public interest work after graduation.”

“We’re looking for a future Wayne Morse!” she said.

## Debt Forgiveness Program Encourages Public Service

*Young Legal Aid Lawyers, District Attorneys and Public Defenders Will Benefit From New Student Loan Repayment Program*

Fifty-one other law schools can’t be wrong. That’s how many support student debt forgiveness programs for graduates who go on to essential—but notoriously low-paying—public service jobs. Last year, a group of 3Ls contacted each of the 51 programs, borrowed the best from each, and came up with their own plans for a Loan Repayment Assistance Program (LRAP). Their cause was taken up this year by representatives from each law school class.

“A survey of 2001 UO law graduates showed that nearly half are working in public service positions compared to the national average of 26 to 28 percent,” said LRAP student chair Kristen Parcher. “We are starting a fundraising campaign now and we plan to start making loans next fall.”

Dean Laird Kirkpatrick is concerned about the daunting \$50,000 average debt load of UO law graduates, and he encouraged the group’s campaign with a pledge of \$25,000 in matching funds.

“The dean’s pledge is a real inspiration to us,” said Parcher. She and the other LRAP members started their fundraising drive in February with an intensive education program for students, faculty and the legal community. They presented their case to the Lane County Bar Association and will



Loan Repayment Assistance Program organizers  
T to B, L to R: Chair **Kristin Parcher**, **Angie Schmitz**,  
**Martha Pellegrino**, **Karen Ellis**, **Shannon Green**, **Jona Haukonen**.

continue their outreach at a number of law school conferences this spring.

UO law school graduates who earn less than \$45,000 in salary from public interest and public service jobs may apply for a maximum annual loan of \$5,000 for as long as five years. If the new

lawyers work in the public interest for three years or more, their LRAP loans are forgiven. The organizers estimate that the average student receiving an LRAP loan for five years will have reduced his or her law school debt load by half.

“One of the unique aspects of our program is our broad definition of public interest that includes not only jobs like legal aid, but also district attorneys, public defenders, and county, state and federal judicial clerkships,” Parcher said.

Eugene attorney **Richard A. Roseta ‘72** recently put together an advisory board that will spearhead fundraising activities, Parcher said. Board members include U.S. District Judge **Ann Aiken ‘79**, Oregon Attorney General **Hardy Myers ‘64**, Oregon Appeals Court Judge **Dave Brewer ‘77**, Lane Circuit Judge **Lyle C. Velure ‘66**, Regional EPA counsel **Lori Houck Cora ‘89** and Portland attorney **Michael Williams**.

The board also includes LRAP co founder **Margie Schroeder ‘02** and student representatives **Parcher** and **Martha Pellegrino**.

To contribute to LRAP, contact [giving@law.uoregon.edu](mailto:giving@law.uoregon.edu) or call Matt Roberts at (541) 346-2125.

# ALUMNI

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## The 'Forties

**Oglesby Young '49** of Lane Powell Spears Lubersky has been elected Treasurer of the National Conference on Uniform Laws. He serves as the Western Chairman of the Legislative Council, and is responsible for the enactment of uniform laws in Alaska, Hawaii, Washington, Oregon, California and Nevada. He is a founder and Trustee of the Uniform Law Foundation. Additionally, Mr. Young was recognized by the ABA Senior Lawyers Division for his 50 years of outstanding service to the legal profession.

## The 'Fifties

**Lawrence A. Aschenbrenner '57** received the Charlie Parr Lifetime Achievement Award from the Alaska chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union. The award was based in part on his work as a civil rights lawyer in Mississippi in the 1960s, which was featured in the July-August edition of *Old Oregon Magazine*. He is the long-time directing attorney of the Alaska office of the Native American Rights Fund.

**William Wheatley '59**, for whom the new faculty library at the Knight Law Center is named, won a \$25 million verdict against the owners of the New Carissa for not removing the remaining pieces from the beach and adjacent state

tidelands. The ship ran aground near Coos Bay in 1999, causing oil damage to the area.

## The 'Sixties

**Kenneth D. Stephens '67** has been re-elected managing board chair at Tonkon Torp LLP in Portland. Ken is a founding partner of Tonkon Torp and practices law specializing in corporate and securities matters. He is also one of the newest members of the law school Dean's Advisory Council.

**Paul Duden '66** and **Donald McClain '66** have joined the newly restructured Portland law firm of Duden Neiman, formerly known as Tooze Duden.

## The 'Seventies

**Hollis McMillan '75**, of the Portland firm Farleigh Wada & Witt, continues as a member of the Board of Directors for the Multnomah Bar Association for 2002-2003. He also volunteers with the Willamette Law School Professionalism Program and the Inns of Court.

Multnomah County Circuit Court Judge **Ellen F. Rosenblum '75** was honored at a special awards banquet in November by the Lewis & Clark Law School as an honorary alumna. The award honors individuals who are not graduates of Lewis & Clark Law School but whose generosity, support, commitment, and

leadership play an important role in enhancing the institution. She is also currently serving as secretary-elect of the American Bar Association and is in her second term with its board of governors.

**Robert D. Newell '77**, a partner in the Portland office of Davis Wright Tremaine LLP, has been elected President of the Multnomah Bar Association for 2002-2003. He has served on the Board of Directors of Mercy Corps International since its inception in 1981 and is currently the board's Vice Chair.

**Kelly T. Hagan '79**, a shareholder with the Portland firm of Schwabe, Williamson & Wyatt, was elected Treasurer of the Multnomah Bar Association for 2002-2003. He currently chairs the Oregon State Bar Health Law Section's Committee on Health Information and Privacy.

**Maureen Helene McKnight '79** has been appointed to the Multnomah County Circuit Court. At the time of her appointment to the bench, she was the Director of the Multnomah County office for Legal Aid Services of Oregon in Portland.

## The 'Eighties

**Michael Bloom '80** was recently elected to the Board of Directors of the Multnomah Law Library. He is with

## Multiple Sentences

*Words of a Relatively Recent Graduate*

By Heather Decker '96



Honored and Honorable Alumni...

### Save the Date

Don't miss the 2003 Frohnmayer Award for Public Service Banquet, honoring Oregon Attorney General **Hardy Myers '64**. The date is Friday, April 4 at the Embassy Suites in downtown Portland. "Save-the-date" postcards and invitations are coming to an "in-box" near you!

The Class of 1986 added two alums to the bench: The Hon. **Lorenzo Mejia** of the Jackson County Circuit Court; and The Hon. **Eric Block** of the Multnomah County Circuit Court. They join classmate The Hon. **Tom Hart** of the Marion County Circuit Court

The Hon. **Ellen Rosenblum '75** was made an Honorary Alumna of Northwestern School of Law of Lewis & Clark College this spring. Judge Rosenblum was recognized for her mentoring of many Northwestern and UO law

students and young lawyers. We don't mind sharing her with that other law school – after all, *we* had her first!

### Mentoring for the Future

If you are concerned about the future of our profession, please mentor a law student or young lawyer. Judge Rosenblum encourages all lawyers to get involved in mentoring. Her advice to mentors: be positive, provide encouragement, listen, find out their interests and give them a point in the right direction. To mentor a UO law student through the Alumni Association's Portland Mentoring Program, please contact Brooke Burns at 503-323-9000 or [bburns@cvk-law.com](mailto:bburns@cvk-law.com). Other mentoring programs are available through the Lane County Bar Association, Oregon Women Lawyers and the Multnomah Bar Association.

### Don't Miss Out

The Alumni Association hosted its First Annual

"Night at the Knight" last October. Alumni and "future alumni" carved pumpkins, played carnival games and feasted on a delicious buffet catered by West Bros. Barbeque. (You can see some the pictures right here!) If you missed it, you missed out!

The main highlight of the Duck football season was three awesome pre-game tailgate parties hosted by the law school in the new Mallard Estates hospitality tents. Nothing beats filling up on good food and microbrews before enjoying a crisp autumn afternoon under a clear blue sky at Autzen Stadium—except maybe winning the football game! Oh yeah, and seeing your favorite faculty members and fellow alums too. See you there next fall!

*Heather Decker graduated in 1996 and serves as vice president and secretary of the law school alumni association's board of directors. This is her second column for Oregon Lawyer.*

the Portland law firm of Bloom & Schuckman.

**Melinda Eden '81** joined the Northwest Power Council in Portland. The four-state council balances the needs of hydropower generation with the protection of fish and wildlife in the Columbia River Basin.

**Jeff Matthews '81**, a partner with the Portland law firm of Yates Matthews & Morasch, continues as a member of the Board of Directors for the Multnomah Bar Association for 2002-2003. He is also a board member of the Oregon Food Bank and Northwest Housing Alternatives, which provides affordable housing through the state for low-income, mentally ill, elderly and AIDS patients.

**Eric Neiman '82** has joined the newly restructured Portland law firm of Duden Neiman, formerly known as Tooze Duden.

**Thomas M. Christ '83**, a partner with the Portland firm Cosgrave Vergeer Kester LLP, continues as a member of the Board of Directors for the Multnomah Bar Association for 2002-2003. He is currently President of the Eastmoreland Neighborhood Association Board of Directors and on the Board of Directors of the American Civil Liberties Union of Oregon.

**Eric Bloch '86** was appointed by former Governor John Kitzhaber to the Multnomah County Circuit Court.

**Robert Kaye '87** has opened his own office in Edmonds, Washington.

## The 'Nineties

**Lucille Seibert Salmony '90** recently accepted a two-year position as the staff attorney to the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, in the Federated States of Micronesia. She moved there in early November with husband Larry and daughter Emma. "The name of the island we'll be living on is Pohnpei. It's a beautiful South Pacific island, complete with coconut trees, waterfalls in the jungle, and a coral reef for diving. We are thrilled," said Salmony.

**Kenneth Lehrman '93** is now the Affirmative Action Director at Pennsylvania State University in University Park, Pennsylvania. He was previously with the Affirmative Action Office at the University of Oregon.

**Margaret J. Wilson '93** is pleased to announce that she has opened her own law office in Eugene. She will continue to specialize in civil litigation, animal law, business disputes and employment law, as well as expanding her practice to encompass basic estate planning, adoption and domestic partnership planning.

**Matthew McKeown '94** is now working as a Special Assistant to the Solicitor for the U.S. Department of Interior in Washington, DC. He formerly worked for the State of Idaho in the Attorney General's office.

**Jason E. Grinnell '95** has joined the firm of Laquer, Urban, Clifford & Hodge LLP of Pasadena, California. He was formerly with the San Francisco law firm of Green, Radovsky, Maloney & Share LLP.

**Steven M. Ratner '95** practices elder law from his private practice offices in Manhattan and White Plains, New York, and is the author of the Elder



Future Oregon lawyers at Night at the Knight 2002

Law chapter in the *New York Lawyer's Deskbook/Formbook*.

**Angel Gambino '97** is Vice President of Business Development and Emerging Technologies for the British Broadcasting Corporation. Additionally, she is now the voice of BBC World Service New York. She can be heard on all New York radio broadcasts and online at [www.bbc.co.uk](http://www.bbc.co.uk). Says Gambino, "I work and live in London during the week. I spend most weekends either at my home in the Park within the Nottingham Castle grounds in Nottingham or on the Continent. Due to work-related travel and the generous European holiday system, I spend approximately six weeks of the year in the States visiting friends and family. In August and September I visited friends from law school (Andrew Yorra '99, Kelly Sager '97, Diane Schwarz '97, Nathan Sykes '95 and others) in Portland and at the Pendleton Round-Up."

**Erika George '97** has joined the newly restructured Portland law firm of Duden Neiman, formerly known as Tooze Duden.

**Ryan S. Joslin '97** has joined with Jim Carpenter to establish the firm, Carpenter & Joslin, in John Day, Oregon.

**Anthony Wilson '97** has joined Goldberg & Jones of Portland. He focuses exclusively on family law. Previously, he served as a Judge Advocate with the U.S. Marine Corps. He and his wife, Stephanie Bugge Wilson, have two children, Autumn and Jesse.

**Jason Elder '98** has joined Sidley Austin Brown & Wood of Hong Kong. He was formerly with the Portland law firm of Davis Wright Tremaine LLP.

**Jennifer Solomon '98** reports that she left the United States in June 1999 and "traveled around the world until December 30, 2000. I visited ev-

ery continent except Antarctica and South America. And I also picked up a Dutch husband, Peter Onderwater, whom I married on September 14, 2002." She now works as house counsel for Farmers Insurance in their San Francisco, California legal office of Valerian Patterson Field & Stratman. Said Solomon, "It is a true civil litigator's dream job. I love the trials and everything associated with trial work. Wayne Westling would be proud. PS: Our immigration issues and history can be found on [www.geocities.com/usandutch](http://www.geocities.com/usandutch)."

law school. He works in the Manhattan offices of Dorsey and Whitney, with an emphasis on international mergers and acquisitions. He says, "What has...amazed me is that I – an Oregonian – am here practicing international tax law on Park Avenue."

Dunn, Carney, Allen, Higgins & Tongue of Portland announces the addition of **Anne Foster '99**. She focuses on general civil litigation with an emphasis on physical injury, professional malpractice and product liability.

**Erik Schlenker-Goodrich '99** has taken a position with the Western Environmental Law Center in Taos, New Mexico. He was formerly with the Wilderness Society in Washington DC.

## The Two Thousands

**Brendan Kane '99** has opened his own practice in Newport, Oregon. He previously worked at the Bridge Law Firm LLC in Newport.

**Nicole Commissiong '00** has joined Bullivant Houser Bailey as an associate in Portland. She will focus on insurance defense for the firm's general practice group and also joins the business litigation practice group.

**Shannon Hickey '00** has taken a position as Inhouse Counsel with the Sitka Tribe of Alaska.

**Sonda Strong '00** is now **Sonda Fields**. She is with Multnomah Defenders, Inc.

**Michelle Bo Victor '00** has joined Vincent & Associates in Eugene as a partner. She will focus on criminal defense, family law and bankruptcy.

**C. Michael Arnold '01** and **Jacy F. Arnold '01** have formed the Arnold Law Office in Eugene, Oregon. Mike's practice focuses on personal injury cases, civil litigation and municipal prosecution for the city of Eugene. Jacy's practice focuses on domestic relations, small business law, civil litigation and mediation.

**Zachary Fruchtingarten '01** has joined the Portland firm of Gevurtz Menashe Larson & Howe as an associate.

**Sarah Hawkins '01** has opened her own office in Portland.

Weatherford, Thompson, Cowgill, Black & Schultz of Albany, Oregon welcome **Joel D. Kalberer '01** as an associate in civil litigation, land use and business law. Joel will continue as a hearings officer.

**Jennifer Marston '01** is clerking for Judge Melvin Brunetti of the U.S. District Court in Reno, Nevada.

**Beijing Wang '98** has established his own firm, Benjamin Beijing Wang PC, in Eugene. He focuses his practice on immigration law.

**Holly Acree '99** has passed the Texas state bar exam and would like to hear from her classmates.

**Tanya Chor '99** is sole staff attorney at a Long Island, New York non-profit agency that advocates on behalf of children with autism, Down's Syndrome and other special needs. Her husband, **Brian Davis '99**, says, "To know Tanya is to know that these children have an excellent and tenacious advocate working on their behalf before the hearing officers and judges." **Davis** is chair of the new Tax Fundraising Committee for the

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■ March

**Journal of Environmental Law and Litigation (JELL)**  
Volume 17(2) contains a memorial and dedication to **Chapin Clark**, featuring passages by Professors **Eugene Scoles**, **John Bonine** and **Richard Hildreth**. For copies of this issue: nfarmer@law.uoregon.edu or (541) 346-3844.

■ Thursday, March 6—Sunday, March 9

**Conference: 2003 Public Interest Environmental Law Conference (PIELC)**  
Environmental (*in*) Justice in the Global Village  
Sponsored by Land Air Water. Knight Law Center.  
http://www.pielc.org/

■ Saturday, March 8

**Celebration: UO Environmental and Natural Resources Law Programs**  
Alumni and other invited guests.  
Suite 225, Knight Law Center. 5:30 P.M.-7:00 P.M.  
jdroops@law.uoregon.edu.

■ Thursday, March 6—Friday, March 14

**Special Guest: Carleton Savage Visiting Scholar Krishna Iyer**, former Justice of the Supreme Court of India, visits the law school as part of the Human Rights for ALL program. slana@law.uoregon.edu

■ Tuesday, March 11

**Oregon Supreme Court**  
Oral arguments at the law school  
ctapp@law.uoregon.edu

■ Friday, March 21

**Faculty Lecture Series: Karen Engle**  
Texas law professor Engle specializes in international human rights and employment discrimination law.  
ksmith@law.uoregon.edu.

■ Friday, April 4

**Banquet: 2003 Frohnmayer Award Honoring Hardy Myers**  
Embassy Suites, 319 Pine Street, Portland.  
6:00 P.M.-9:00 P.M.  
Tickets: (541) 346-3865.

■ Friday, April 4 and Saturday, April 5

**Symposium: The Post-Enron Era: What Lawyers, Accountants, and Investors Should Know.**  
Law and Entrepreneurship Symposium. Portland.  
jsprauer@law.uoregon.edu.

■ Friday, April 11

**Faculty Lecture Series: Reva Siegel and Bob Post**  
Yale law professor Siegel employs the methods of legal history to explore contemporary questions of civil rights law. Author Post specializes in the area of First Amendment theory and constitutional jurisprudence. ksmith@law.uoregon.edu.

■ Saturday, April 12

**Visiting Day** for admitted students.  
kjernberg@law.uoregon.edu

■ Friday, April 18

**Faculty Lecture Series: Robert Summers**  
Cornell law professor Summers is a former UO law faculty member and the co author of the most widely quoted treatise on the Uniform Commercial Code. ksmith@law.uoregon.edu

■ Friday, April 25

**Faculty Lecture Series: Steven L. Winter**  
Wayne State University law professor Winter is the author of *A Clearing in the Forest: Law, Life and Mind*.  
ksmith@law.uoregon.edu

■ Sunday, May 18

**Commencement Ceremony for Law Class of 2003**  
Silva Concert Hall, Hult Center for the Performing Arts, Eugene.  
mbarker@law.uoregon.edu.

Dunn, Carney, Allen, Higgins & Tongue of Portland announces the addition of **Kyle Stinchfield '01**. He will focus on retirement planning and tax law as well as general business, corporate and transactional work.

**Alexander Wylie '01** has joined the newly restructured Portland law firm of Duden Neiman, formerly known as Tooze Duden.

**Wendy Baker '02** has joined the Eugene law firm of Gaydos Churnside & Balthrop PC. She will represent small businesses, non-profits and financial institutions, in addition to doing estate planning and debtor-creditor law.

**Laura Clemmens '02** has been appointed as an Assistant U.S. Attorney in the Criminal Division of the Office of the United States Attorney, Southern District of Ohio office in Dayton, Ohio. She will be assigned to the criminal division and eventually will assume the environmental



Law alumni enjoy Homecoming 2002

case docket for both the Dayton and Cincinnati offices.

**Ky Fullerton '02** has been added to the litigation department at the Portland law firm of Miller Nash LLP.

**Allie O'Connor '02** has opened an office in Medford, Oregon.

**Rachel Peitsch '02** who finished her

fellowship with the State Department marine conservation office in Washington, D.C. writes, "The most incredible thing I've gotten to do in my year was to act as the U.S. negotiator for the United Nations General Assembly fisheries resolutions. I was amazed and impressed that my office let me do this! ... I'll be moving to Hong Kong...I really like it there. I'll

probably be doing some work for an environmental and policy think tank, and also have some leads on work in APEC related projects."

**Loren Scott '02** has joined Arnold Gallagher Saydack Percell Roberts & Potter PC in Eugene as an associate.

**Kurt Unger '02** is back at school, working for his M.S. in environmental science at the University of Nevada-Reno. "In the meantime," he writes, "I'm doing research at the Desert Research Institute that may turn into a good policy job, and am part-time snowboarding as well. **Heather (Unger)** has a good job working for a local judge. We both miss Eugene, but not the rain."

## In Memoriam

**Lucy Jane Brokaw Schafer '73** died December 3, 2002.

**Orval N. Thompson '37** died February 8, 2002.



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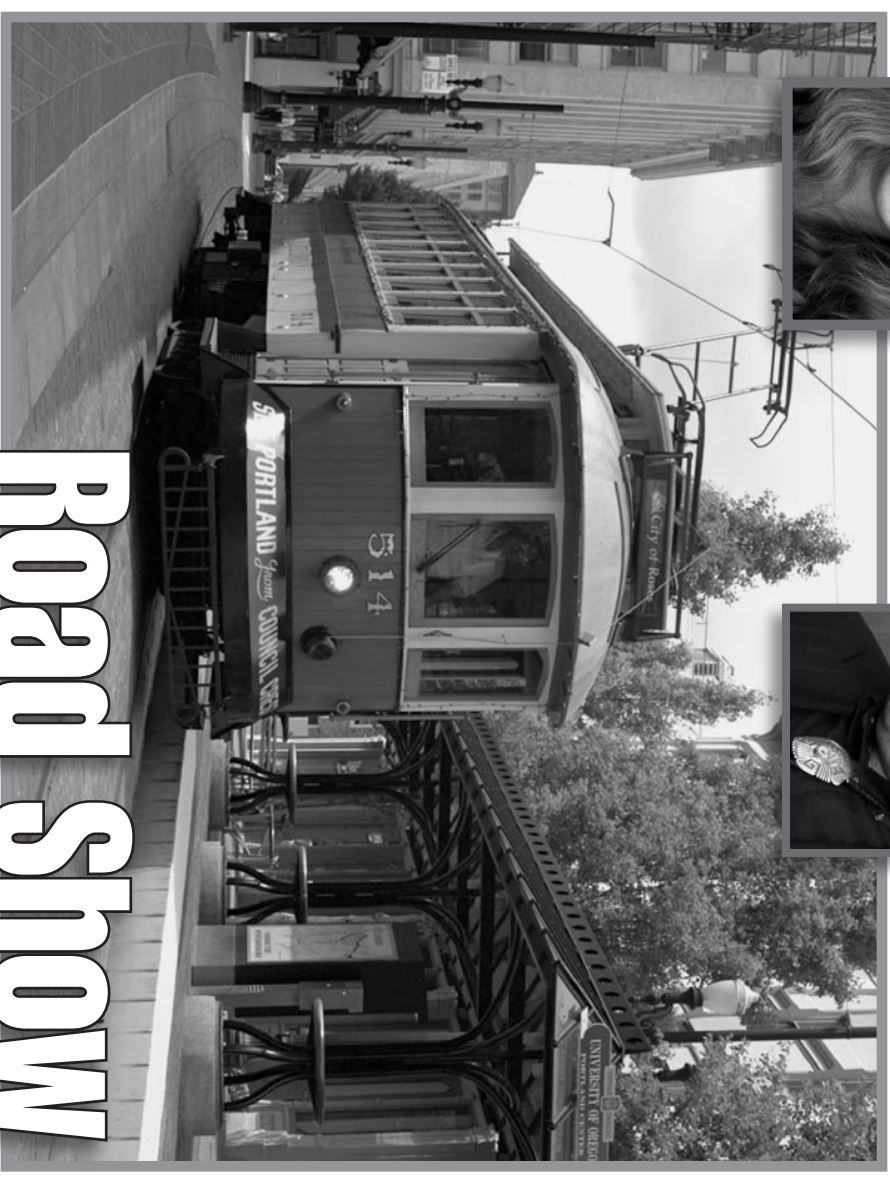
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