Annual Report On Giving

University of Wyoming Foundation
As the University of Wyoming turns the page on another fiscal year, it embarks on an extraordinary campaign for its future. This year’s Annual Report on Giving, themed Destination Distinction, demonstrates how recent gifts brought about by University and donor alliances are carrying the University closer yet to national and international distinction.
The loyalty and generosity of the University of Wyoming’s friends and alumni has never been more apparent than over the past fiscal year. In spite of the market decline steepened by the events of September 11, you stepped up in record numbers to give UW gifts totaling $20.3 million — the second-greatest amount in our history.

On top of that, your gifts designated for endowments have made it possible for the state of Wyoming to commit $17 million — more than half the $30 million matching fund — after only 15 months.

We are overwhelmed by this outpouring of support and, as the University of Wyoming launches the public phase of the largest campaign in its history, we commend each of you for leading UW toward true distinction.

On behalf of the entire University community, thank you. You’ve made an important investment in the future.

THANK YOU
The rich legacy of Wyoming’s only university was set into motion even before Wyoming became a state. For the past 116 years, from corporate offices around the world to our nation’s capitol, alumni of UW have moved from its classrooms into successful careers.

Leaders at the University of Wyoming realize that UW is poised now to extend that tradition of achievement into a reputation as a leading institution of higher learning — a University truly acclaimed for distinctive areas of expertise.

Recognizing the opportunity before them, trustees and administrators in 1999 developed a strategy to further elevate UW’s national reputation and financial position. The UW Academic Plan outlines more than 160 actions necessary to build on the University’s major strengths and capitalize on its opportunities for distinction. They are bold objectives, and they call for renewed investment in UW’s future in the form of private support.

DISTINCTION: The Campaign for Wyoming’s University is an unparalleled five-year effort by UW to raise $125 million to support the strategic initiatives UW needs to take to achieve national recognition. Between July 1, 2000 and June 30, 2002, $66 million was committed toward that goal under the leadership of campaign chairman and retired U.S. Senator Alan Simpson.

“Everything that happened in my career was rooted in the University of Wyoming,” says Simpson, class of ’54. “I went to the U.S. Senate with guys from Princeton and Harvard and Yale, and never felt a single lack anywhere.”

That same quality instruction can be found today at UW, home to some of the world’s leading experts in botany, chemistry, engineering, geology and natural resources. Select doctoral programs in the geology department have ranked as high as 12th in the country, and UW’s chemistry program became one of the most respected in the nation after administrators made a strong commitment to invest in the department’s success some 10 years ago.
At the same time, there are additional fields of expertise in which UW is uniquely qualified to become truly distinguished. The University has a strong infrastructure within the following academic areas:

**Natural Resources and the Environment**

The University’s Institute and School of Environment and Natural Resources positions UW to provide top-notch scientific and political counsel on management of the country’s many natural resources. Few would question the importance of balancing Wyoming’s agriculture, mineral extraction and tourism industries with its ecological systems.

**Life Sciences**

A strong faculty and breadth of disciplines characterize UW’s life sciences community. Collaboration among the colleges of Agriculture, Health Sciences and Arts and Sciences will enhance several science programs and result in new undergraduate curricula and interdisciplinary graduate programs that build upon existing strengths.

**Computer Science and Information Technology**

The College of Business’ new Solomon J. Trujillo Center for e.Business is one of only two such programs in the country combining computer science and business. It is a revolutionary approach to our increasingly high-tech world that will nurture some outstanding careers and in time attain a fine reputation at UW.

**History and Culture of Wyoming and the Rocky Mountain West**

UW is the intellectual cornerstone for Wyoming’s cultural, artistic, and historic resources. Programs like the UW Art Museum, American Heritage Center, Geological Museum and the Alan K. Simpson Institute for Western Politics and Leadership offer unequalled opportunities for exploring the intricacies of Wyoming and the West.
Building these fields into national prominence will attract exceptional faculty and students to the University, but at the same time, will require substantial private investments. More than ever, competitive packages are required to attract top-level faculty to UW, which could lose a third of its professors to retirement in the next decade.

And, although some of the country’s brightest students already enroll at UW (the median high school grade point average for entering freshmen is 3.5 on a four-point scale), their need for financial aid has never been greater. Annual costs for undergraduates represent almost one-third of the average Wyoming family’s income.

Private support is a critical supplement to UW’s operating budget, which receives 44 percent of its funding from the state. Roughly half the buildings on campus were built 40 or more years ago and are challenged for technological upgrades.

Finally, as the state’s only four-year university, UW has an undeniable responsibility to share knowledge with and provide research opportunities for the people of Wyoming.

We have a tremendous opportunity in the years ahead because one-third of our faculty could retire in the next seven years. What we do with those 200 faculty positions will affect the institution for the next thirty years.

— UW President Philip L. Dubois

There are some areas in particular that need to be funded in order for UW to fulfill its responsibilities to its students, faculty, community, and state. For instance, a large portion of the $125 million campaign goal is targeted for endowments. An endowment provides a dependable, predictable stream of income to support, for example, faculty chairs and professorships, student scholarships and internships, building renovations, and outreach programs.

The state is supporting UW’s commitment to grow its total endowment – currently $130 million – through a $30 million fund to match gifts for endowments. By complementing the state’s investment in its University with private funds generated through DISTINCTION: The Campaign for Wyoming’s University, UW will be able to continue
providing first-rate education at a reasonable price. More importantly, it will be able to further develop the areas of expertise that will drive its rankings up and determine UW’s future as a leader among its peers.

There’s no question the past year has been a milestone. In fact, your generosity in these early stages of DISTINCTION has triggered palpable excitement on campus and spurred momentum that’s already brought private support to more than half the campaign goal.

To be sure, thousands of alumni and friends all coming together with regular gifts to UW’s Annual Fund can shape the future of the University just as surely as the largest gifts.

*Your participation, whatever its form or size, is a direct investment in the role UW will play in the lives of the people of Wyoming — and the world — for decades to come.*

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The donors featured here have generously supported UW during an unstable economic year. Their gifts endorse the University’s campaign for Distinction, and most of them were doubled by the Wyoming state fund that matches gifts of $50,000 or more for endowments.

Center for e-Business

Entrepreneurism

Environment and Natural Resources

Law and Leadership

Social Justice
Corporate support | Center for e.Business

Leading technology corporations this year contributed software they value at $8 million to the College of Business for use in the Solomon D. Trujillo Center for e.Business. Corporate contributors include PeopleSoft, Inc.; MIS AG; InStranet, Inc.; International Business Machines (IBM) Corp.; Rational Software Corp.; Dataflux Corp.; Microsoft Great Plains Business Solutions; Empower Solutions; and Sun Microsystems, Inc.

The largest single gift comes from PeopleSoft, which estimates the combined commercial value of its contributions at $3.97 million. The College of Business received four suites of its Internet software through the company’s On Campus program.

“We are thrilled that this unique partnership between the University, Empower Solutions, and PeopleSoft has moved forward so quickly at UW. The plans and vision for this program and alliance are very exciting,” says Mark Conway, director of academic programs at PeopleSoft.

Gifts from IBM, Rational Software, and Dataflux include a universal database; an integrated set of software development tools; and a solution-based program for data cleansing and data integration problems. The gifts should enable students to learn procedures frequently used in practice and to eventually become part of a group of specialized developers currently in great demand.

The College also received technology from Instranet that enables secure management of electronic information between customers, suppliers and business partners. MIS AG contributed solutions packages designed to increase an organization’s capabilities for business intelligence and knowledge management. And Empower Solutions and Sun Microsystems joined to contribute infrastructure for UW’s e-business program, including hardware grants for a state-of-the-art server and appliances for the classroom.

“We are one of only a few universities in the world to have put together a business technology program of this kind,” says Kenton Walker, director of the Trujillo Center. “With their gifts, these companies are making a very positive statement about the importance of what we want to accomplish with this degree program. The gifts also substantially enhance our students’ educational experiences and marketability.”
Pat and Kathi Rile have been away from the University of Wyoming for nearly four decades, but the couple from Scottsdale, Ariz., still feels connected to their UW roots. Consequently, they’re planning a gift of $750,000 that will be doubled by a state endowment-matching program to provide a chair of entrepreneurism at UW.

Pat had his own small cookware business in college before launching a 38-year career in the investment industry. “Nobody ever talked about entrepreneurism back when I was in college,” says the Cheyenne native. “But you don’t have to be Bill Gates or Henry Ford to start a business. We want to teach others the principles involved. We’ve got to stimulate their desire to go out and make a big difference.”

Entrepreneurship, according to the university’s 1999-2004 Academic Plan, will eventually replace the former small business management major. It has already been added as a minor, and Brent Hathaway, chair of management and marketing for UW’s College of Business, is excited about further developing the curriculum and resources through the Riles’ gift.

“An endowed chair of entrepreneurism will fuel the imaginations of our current students in our undergraduate, e-business, and MBA programs,” says Hathaway. “Specialized research, teaching, and service in this area will directly impact start-up ventures and lead to opportunities for our brightest business minds.”

Pat, who received his bachelor’s degree in business administration in 1964, and Kathi, a ’64 speech pathology and elementary education graduate, agree that it just feels right to give back to the university. “Without the cookware business, I wouldn’t have been hired in investments at 22 years of age,” says Pat. “It happened because I was at the University of Wyoming. My roots are there in a big way.”
Endowed chairs and professorships enable the university to recruit and retain world-class faculty members. A $1 million commitment from Beverly Spicer of Rock Springs and her family will create a charitable remainder unitrust to finance a chair in the field of environment and natural resources in memory of her husband, Eldon M. “Spice” Spicer.

My family has always remained close to UW. We wanted to help the University develop a collaborative process to discuss and resolve land-use issues, and Wyoming is the natural lab for being able to do that.

— Tom Spicer

Eldon Spicer, four of the Spicer children and their spouses, and several grandchildren and their spouses are UW graduates.

“We were ranchers interested in multiple land use and conservation as well as in protecting the rights of private property owners,” Beverly Spicer says. “The chair seemed a far-reaching way to help in all these areas. We hope that this chair will benefit not only UW, but also the state of Wyoming and all its residents.”

The Institute and School of Environment and Natural Resources, which was established in 1994, has been identified by the UW Academic Plan as one of the University’s strongest opportunities for developing a reputation for excellence at UW.

“This will be a huge boost for us,” says Harold Bergman, IENR director. “Being able to recruit nationally acclaimed scholars will bring greater recognition to the program and more visibility for the University, and that leads to more successful competition for students and helps us recruit and attract research funding and additional private support.”

The benefits of the Spicers’ gift extend to the state of Wyoming, where stakeholders in the mineral, agricultural, and environmental industries are facing mounting differences of opinion. The newly funded chair, Bergman adds, will allow an emphasis on collaborative, public dispute resolution of these issues for Wyoming and the rest of the country.
The Paul Stock Foundation; Charles and Ursula Kepler; anonymous donor | Chair in Law and Leadership

Distinguished scholars motivate fellow members of the faculty, attract accomplished students, bring in valuable grants, and conduct research that draws national attention.

The law school at UW is something of which the state can be very proud. Wonderful faculty there gave me a fine education, and I wanted to make sure the college could continue providing the very best professors available.

— Charles Kepler

A gift of more than $759,000 from Charles and Ursula Kepler of Cody, the Paul Stock Foundation, and an anonymous donor have established the Kepler Chair in Law and Leadership.

The chair honors Charles G. Kepler; his daughter, Loretta B. Kepler; his nephew, Courtney R. Kepler; and their many contributions to the UW College of Law and to the practice of law. Charles Kepler is the longtime president of the Paul Stock Foundation and a former law professor at Wyoming. Loretta is an attorney for The Boeing Company in Seattle; Courtney practiced law for Brown, Drew and Massey in Casper prior to his death in a 2001 skiing accident.

“The UW College of Law is important to the state of Wyoming and important to me as well,” Kepler says. “It is an outstanding school; one of the best in the country. I believe the Kepler family is unique in UW law school history in that three of us — my daughter, my nephew, and I — graduated with UW law degrees, and all three with honors. My family is extraordinarily proud to know that there always will be a Kepler Chair in Law and Leadership at the UW law school.”

Jerry Parkinson, dean of the UW College of Law, says the gift will result in the addition of a full faculty position, which in turn will result in the addition of three or four valuable courses to the curriculum. “We are very grateful to the Keplers for their flexibility regarding specific areas of the law in which the chair holder might teach, so we will be able to target our areas of greatest opportunity,” he says.
Anonymous donor | Social Justice

UW received a $1 million gift from an anonymous donor to establish an endowment for social justice, which will support UW teaching, research, and outreach activities that explore human rights issues and encourage respect for diversity.

"I am delighted with this most generous gift in the cause of social justice," says UW President Philip L. Dubois. "It will permit us to significantly enhance our programming to encourage tolerance, respect for diversity, and human understanding. Already it has stimulated new thinking about how academic initiatives will provide a more forceful and complete articulation of our institutional commitment to social justice."

In addition to enhancing UW’s annual Shepard Symposium on Social Justice, income from the endowment may be used to finance a visiting professor, support high school and community college outreach, and also may be used to host distinguished guest speakers.

“Endowment funding for the symposium will allow us to work toward our goals of continuing to attract outstanding speakers in the field of human rights and help us become the premiere symposium on social justice along the front range and on the plains of the Rocky Mountains,” says Francisco Rios, UW Educational Studies department head and co-chair of the symposium steering committee. “We greatly appreciate the generosity of a donor who seeks only to enhance our abilities to address diversity issues. This person has our immense gratitude.”

Not only will this endowment serve to bring in cutting-edge ideas, it will help show prospective faculty and students that diversity and multi-cultural issues are an important part of what this University is all about.

— Francisco Rios, co-chair of the Shepard Symposium steering committee
A NOTABLE YEAR OF GIVING

A record 23,900 UW alumni, parents and friends, corporations, foundations, and other organizations brought private support for the University of Wyoming to $20.3 million, setting a record high for the second year in a row. UW’s loyal friends have made possible the following giving highlights from the 2001-02 fiscal year.

>> Private funds received annually by UW have tripled in the past five years to more than $20 million. From 1992-97, UW averaged $6.5 million annually in private support.

>> The number of contributors, now at a record 23,900, has grown more than 67 percent since 1996 when UW had 15,400 donors.

>> Gifts were received from every state in the nation and 12 foreign countries.

>> Wyoming contributors gave about 64 percent of all gifts. Individuals and organizations from Colorado and California provided the next greatest totals.

>> Alumni provided about 44 percent of this year’s gifts, while UW friends contributed another 48 percent and corporations gave 7 percent of the total number of gifts.

>> The average gift was approximately $761, up 40 percent from last year’s figure.

>> Nearly 2,000 donors (8 percent) contributed more than $1,000, while about 11,700 people donated more than $100 (49 percent) — a total increase of more than a third from last year.
Sixty-four percent of this year’s donors were previous contributors.

Gifts-in-kind from corporations totaled approximately $5.5 million.

Approximately 120 gifts for UW endowments were doubled by the Wyoming state matching fund.

**Investments**

As the events in our country over the past year are reflected in the uncertain economy, individual and institutional investors alike are realizing the importance of maintaining a sound long-term investment plan. The University of Wyoming Foundation Board of Directors engages an investment-consulting firm to assist in the management of the Foundation’s assets.

During the 2002 fiscal year, the Investment Committee of the UW Foundation Board continued to implement a three-year strategic plan instituted in 2000 to further broaden the diversification of its assets with the addition of two new alternative asset classes, absolute return and hedged equity. The risk, return, and correlation characteristics of these alternative asset classes provide greater portfolio diversification and stability because of the
low correlations to the traditional fixed income and equity asset classes. With the addition of these funds, the portfolio is approaching full diversification (see pie chart: Asset Allocation).

Funds invested by the Foundation include cash, reserve balances, charitable remainder unitrusts and gift annuities, outright gifts, and endowments. Policies governing endowments are intended to preserve the purchasing power of the initial gift and provide a dependable and increasing source of funds for the University and its programs, despite market fluctuations or changes in the political climate.

**State Matching Fund**
The Wyoming State Legislature in March 2001 established a $30 million fund to match gifts of $50,000 or more designated for UW endowments. As of July 1, 2002, nearly $17 million of the fund was committed to match gifts.

- Donors eligible to have gifts matched include an individual, a nuclear family, a corporation, a foundation, or an industry association.
- Commitments are matched on a first-come basis through 2005 or as long as funds are available.
- Gifts other than cash may be eligible for the match. Corporate matching gifts count toward the total value of a donor’s gift.
- Payments may be spread over a five-year period and must be completed by 2010.
Endowments

Endowments are UW’s financial cornerstone and are an investment in its future. The principal of these gifts remains intact, while a portion of the earnings are used as specified by the donor. In addition to providing stable support for the University, endowments afford opportunities for named gifts.

Each fund is held separately for accounting purposes, but pooled together for investing. The payout is calculated using a three-year fair market value. The current spending policy allows for a 5% distribution, except when the fair market value of the fund is below the historic gift value. Any earnings above the 5%, less management fees, are added to the principal of the endowment to promote growth and protect against inflation. In the 2002 fiscal year, $6.7 million was dispersed for University use (see bar graph: Endowment Income Distribution).

At the end of the fiscal year, June 30, 2002, the endowment pool had a market value of $130 million, an increase of 24% from $105 million in 1997 (see bar graph: Endowment Growth).

The establishment this year of 76 new endowments at UW confirms that the giving spirit of the University’s friends and alums has not languished with the economy (see bar graph: Number of Endowments). The following pages provide a list of endowed funds established between July 1, 2001 and June 30, 2002, with each fund’s purpose and generous donor.
NEW ENDOWMENTS IN 2001-02

Academic & Excellence

**Burton Environmental and Natural Resources Fund in Economics and Finance**
Established by C. L. & Sandy Burton to support ENR education in the Department of Economics and Finance

**Debate/Forensics Excellence Fund**
Established by Gregory C. Dyekman to support the Debate/Forensics Program

**Department of Family & Consumer Sciences Endowment**
Established by friends of the department to support the Department of Family and Consumer Sciences

**Donna Beth Downer Graduate Student/Faculty Research Fund**
Established by Dr. Donna Beth Downer to support Department of Family and Consumer Sciences research

**Philip L. and Lisa Lewis Dubois President’s Excellence Fund**
Established by Peter & Jean Jorgensen in honor of Dr. Philip L. & Lisa Lewis Dubois to support university wide excellence

**F. E. “Tut” and Diane Ellis Fund for Experiential Education in Chemical and Petroleum Engineering**
Established by F. E. “Tut” & Diane Ellis to support experiential education

**Geology Excellence Fund**
Established by friends of the department to support the Department of Geology and Geophysics

**Greek Life Excellence Fund**
Established by Sigma Chi Fraternity to enhance UW’s Greek culture

**Hartman Family Women’s Basketball**
Established by Clayson & Kandy Hartman to support the Women’s Basketball Program

**Elizabeth A. and Richard L. Horsch Science and Mathematics Teaching Center Award**
Established by Elizabeth A. & Richard L. Horsch to support the Science and Mathematics Teaching Center

**Kim J. and Laural S. Krueger Library Endowment for Animal Science**
Established by Kim J. & Laural S. Krueger for collection development and support for the Department of Animal Science

**Kim J. and Laural S. Krueger Library Endowment for Music**
Established by Kim J. & Laural S. Krueger for collection development and support for the Department of Music

**E. G. Meyer Family Archival Fund for the College of Arts and Sciences**
Established by E. G. & Betty Meyer to support College of Arts and Sciences collections

**Northwest Wyoming Applied Research Fund**
Established by the Powell R&E Center Advisory Board & the College of Agriculture to support applied agricultural research in the Big Horn and Wind River Basins

**Payne Family Endowment**
Established by Tammy & Michael Payne to support the Textiles and Merchandising Program

**William D. Ruckelshaus Endowment for IENR**
Established by various donors in honor of William D. Ruckelshaus, founding chairman of the IENR at UW to support the Institute for Environment and Natural Resources

**Ronald and Patricia Salvagio Endowment**
Established by Ronald & Patricia Salvagio to benefit the UW Art Museum, College of Business, Foundation, & Athletics Department

**Wilson J. Walthall Jr. Excellence Fund in Psychology**
Established by Professor & Mrs. Wilson J. Walthall Jr., Wilson J. Walthall III, & Anne Walthall to support the Department of Psychology
Faculty Support

**Ed and Shirley Cheramy Fund in Anthropology**
Established by Ed & Shirley Cheramy to support Department of Anthropology faculty

**Dyekman Law Faculty Research Fund**
Established by Gregory C. Dyekman to support College of Law faculty research

**Gardner Chair in Physiology**
Established by Marilyn S. Fiske & Harold H. Gardner to support Department of Zoology and Physiology faculty

**Governor Geringer Award for Promising Young Scholars**
Established by Kenyon N. & Leah G. Griffin to support the Department of Management and Marketing faculty

**Goodstein Law Faculty Research Fund**
Established by the Goodstein Foundation to support College of Law faculty research

**Otis L. Hoy Memorial Fund**
Established by the Hoy Family to support School of Pharmacy faculty development

**Kepler Chair in Law and Leadership**
Established by the Paul Stock Foundation, Charles & Ursula Kepler & an anonymous donor to expand the College of Law faculty

**Patrick and Kathleen Rile Chair for Entrepreneurism in the College of Business**
Established by Patrick & Kathleen Rile to teach entrepreneurship in the College of Business

**Vincent O. Smith Professorship in Engineering**
Established by Vincent O. & Rosalie Smith to attract an outstanding engineering scholar

**Eldon and Beverly Spicer Chair in Environment and Natural Resources**
Established by Beverly Spicer in memory of Eldon M. “Spice” Spicer to promote a balanced approach to environmental & natural resource conflicts

**Wildlife/Livestock Diseases Endowed Chair**
Established by various donors to support the veterinary diagnostic laboratory in studying diseases

Service to Wyoming

**AHC Endowment for Acquisition and Access**
Established by Roma Rouse to support American Heritage Center collections

**Endowment for Social Justice**
Established by an anonymous donor to promote understanding of social justice

**Patricia Guthrie UW Art Museum Endowment for Permanent Collections Exhibitions**
Established by Patricia Guthrie to support acquisitions and safekeeping of artwork

**Leadership Wyoming Special Endowment**
Established by the University of Wyoming & the Wyoming Heritage Foundation to support Leadership Wyoming

**Rocky Mountain Geology Journal Endowment**
Established by friends of the department to support the Rocky Mountain Geology Journal

**Wyoming Public Radio Endowment**
Established by many friends of Public Radio to support Wyoming Public Radio
NEW ENDOWMENTS IN 2001-02

Student Support

ASUW/APUW Family Emergency Fund
Established by ASUW & APUW to help families in times of student emergencies

Dean H. John Baldwin Pharmacy Scholarship
Established by Dean H. John Baldwin to support Pharmacy students

Bernice A. Bettis Scholarship
Established by the Kenneth Kendall King Foundation to support students with disabilities

Burton Entrepreneurial Education Fund in Management and Marketing
Established by C. L. & Sandy Burton to support students in entrepreneurship

John C. and Esther L. Clay Scholarship in e.Business
Established by John C. & Esther L. Clay to support students in e.Business

Colorado-Wyoming Chapter of the American Fisheries Society Scholarship
Established by the Colorado-Wyoming Chapter of the American Fisheries Society to support Wildlife and Fisheries Biology Management students

Dave and Mary Crum Engineering Scholarship
Established by Dave & Mary Crum to support Engineering students

Mary and Dave Crum Education Scholarship
Established by Mary & Dave Crum to support Education students

Jerry J. Capal Scholarship Fund
Established by the Capal Family in honor of Professor Emeritus Jerry J. Capal to support Electrical and Computer Engineering students

Harold H. Gardner & Marilyn S. Fiske Athletic Scholarship
Established by Harold H. Gardner & Marilyn S. Fiske to support basketball student athletes

Gore Family Fund for A&S Summer Independent Study Awards
Established by Robert & Judith Gore to support students in summer independent study

Victor R. Hasfurther Engineering Scholarship
Established by various donors in memory of Victor R. Hasfurther to support Civil and Architectural Engineering students

Erivan Haub Scholarship
Established by Erivan & Helga Haub to support students focusing on environment or natural resources

Patricia Ferris-Hawley Scholarship in Counselor Education
Established by Patricia Ferris-Hawley to support Counselor Education graduate students

C. T. Hewgley Memorial Scholarship
Established by Julia Hewgley in honor of C. T. Hewgley to support student athletes

Ernest and Helen Hilton Scholarship
Established by the Hilton Family in honor of Ernest & Helen Hilton to support Education students

Arlowe and Mary Hulett Family Scholarship
Established by Arlowe & Mary Hulett to support basketball and football student athletes

Raymond G. Jacquot Scholarship
Established by various donors in honor of Professor Emeritus Raymond G. Jacquot to support Electrical and Computer Engineering students

Robert & Shirley Kelley Athletics Scholarship
Established by Robert Kelley to support basketball, golf, and football student athletes

Kercher International Graduate Student Scholarship
Established by the Kercher Family to support Department of Animal Science graduate students

Marna M. Kuehne Foundation Scholarship
Established by the Marna M. Kuehne Foundation to support Wyoming disabled veteran students

LeRoy L. Lee Memorial Accounting Scholarship
Established by Vincent J. Siren in honor of Professor Emeritus LeRoy L. Lee to support Accounting graduate students
David M. Lowe Memorial Scholarship
Established by various donors in memory of David M. Lowe to support Management and Marketing students

T. W. Mermel Memorial Engineering Scholarship
Established by the Mermel Family in memory of T. W. Mermel to support Engineering students

E. G. Meyer Family Fund for the College of Arts and Sciences
Established by E. G. & Betty Meyer to support student summer independent study

Nelson Family Scholarship
Established by Dick, Jeannne, Ty, Brandi, & Andy Nelson to support football, basketball, and track student athletes

Dick and Jeanne Nelson Family and College of Business e-Commerce Partnership
Established by Dick, Jeannne, Ty, Brandi, & Andy Nelson to support e-Business students from Park and Big Horn Counties

Nunn Family Scholarship and Excellence Fund in Arts and Sciences
Established by Jack & Carole Nunn to support Teton Science School graduates and the College of Arts and Sciences

Phi Delta Theta Scholarship
Established by the Phi Delta Theta House Corporation to support students, with preference to families of Phi Delta Theta

Elizabeth R. Quinn Family Scholarship
Established by Elizabeth R. Quinn to support wrestling student athletes

John E. and Roma Rouse Beyond the Classroom Student Experience Fund
Established by Roma Rouse to support Agriculture student learning experiences outside the classroom

Rural Wyoming and Western Nebraska Scholarship
Established by an anonymous donor to support needy students

Sylvester and Edna Siren Memorial Athletics Scholarship
Established by Vincent J. Siren in memory of Sylvester & Edna Siren to support football, men's basketball, and baseball student athletes

Cal S. and Irene D. Taggart Scholarship
Established by Cal S. & Irene D. Taggart to support Big Horn Basin students

Cal S. and Irene D. Taggart Scholarship in the College of Business
Established by Cal S. & Irene D. Taggart to support Business students from Big Horn Basin

Jane L. Tanner Study Abroad Award
Established by The Honorable Robert & Jane Tanner, Stuart & Daney Tanner, Eric & Corrine Tanner, Matt Tanner, Rob & Paulann Duane to support study abroad opportunities for undergraduates in English

University of Wyoming Cross Country & Track Teams Memorial Scholarship
Established by an anonymous donor in memory of Cody Brown, Kyle Johnson, Joshua Jones, Justin Lambert-Belanger, Morgan McLeland, Kevin Salveson, Nick Schabron, & Shane Shatto to support cross country and track students

WACES Scholarship
Established by the Wyoming Association of Consulting Engineers & Surveyors to support Engineering students

WES Undergraduate Education Trust
Established by the Wyoming Engineering Society to support Engineering undergraduate students and projects

WWAMI Medical Education Program
Established by the Wyoming Medical Society to support WWAMI students

Technology & Facilities

Marian and Curtis Rochelle UW Facilities Enhancement and Campus Beautification Fund
Established by Marian & Curtis Rochelle to support campus renovations
There are a number of ways to make gifts to the University that also offer a variety of benefits to donors. The UW Foundation staff is available to advise and assist you with the many channels of giving. More information and the tools to explore gift possibilities also are available on our Web site.

**Gifts of Cash**, in the form of a personal check, credit/debit card, or money order, are a simple and immediate way of giving to UW and are deductible when filing an itemized tax return. Checks are payable to the University of Wyoming Foundation and can be mailed to: UW Foundation • P.O. Box 3963 • Laramie, WY 82071-3936.

**Matching Gifts** double or even multiply the impact of contributions. We encourage you to ask your employer’s human resources office if the company has a matching gift program and obtain the necessary form to send with your gift.

**Gifts in Honor and in Memory** of someone special are a thoughtful way to recognize a person and his or her accomplishments. When such a gift is made, the UW Foundation notifies the person being honored or the person’s family and ensures that the gift is administered in accordance with the donor’s wishes. The university’s Tree and Bench Program provides a particularly meaningful way to honor a student, pay tribute to a professor, or memorialize an individual.

**Gifts of securities** allow donors to take a tax deduction for the fair market value of the security and avoid a capital gains tax. Donors receive an income tax deduction for the full market value of the stock at the time it is sold by the Foundation. The donor’s sale of stock that has lost value creates a tax deduction. Donating the cash proceeds from the sale generates a tax deduction for a charitable contribution.

**Gifts of real estate** enable donors to deduct the fair market value of property as a charitable contribution, avoid capital gains tax, and remove the asset from their taxable estate. A retained life estate, in which the deed to property is transferred to the Foundation, gives donors an immediate charitable deduction while they continue using the property.

**Gifts of personal property** enable many donors to satisfy their philanthropic goals. A foundation board committee reviews gifts of this type prior to acceptance. Often the same benefits of giving real estate or securities apply to gifts of personal property.
**Planned gifts** provide donors with an immediate tax deduction and other benefits such as life income, continued use of the gift property, or avoidance of capital gains tax. The following vehicles can provide an opportunity to leave a legacy through a very significant gift to UW.

- **Bequests** are a simple and popular method of making a deferred gift. By naming the University of Wyoming Foundation as a beneficiary in their wills, contributors are able to make a gift and reduce estate taxes. Sample bequest language is available through the Foundation.

- **Retirement plan assets**, or a portion of those assets, can also provide a generous gift to the university. Naming the UW Foundation as the beneficiary of an IRA, 401K, Keogh, or other retirement plan often results in favorable estate tax deductions.

- **Charitable remainder trusts** are built with assets such as securities, property, or cash. Once placed in the trust, the assets can be sold without creating a capital gains tax and the proceeds can be reinvested to produce a higher yield. Such a trust generates fixed or variable income for the donor and/or another person and creates an immediate income tax deduction.

- **Charitable gift annuities** enable donors to make a gift to the university and in return receive fixed annual payments for life. A charitable contribution deduction is given for a portion of the gift.

- **Charitable lead trusts** enable donors to provide a gift to the university and transfer assets to heirs while minimizing estate and gift taxes.

- **Life insurance** is another gift option for some donors. Policies that name the UW Foundation as the owner and beneficiary entitle donors to an income tax deduction. Alternatively, donors may simply name the Foundation as the policy beneficiary.

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