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“If I have seen farther than others, it is because I was standing on the shoulder of giants.”
—Sir Isaac Newton

To achieve any goal, there must be leadership. When embarking upon DISTINCTION: The Campaign for Wyoming’s University, our “campaign chair prospect list” had only one name . . .

Senator Alan K. Simpson.

There was no nominating process, no research nor polls nor statistical analysis. Everyone participating in the launch of this fundraising drive for Wyoming’s university was keenly aware that no other individual had the credibility, energy, passion, and public image required to successfully lead the largest private support initiative in UW’s history. “Big Al” gladly donned the mantle of chairman and led UW to unprecedented heights.

The UW family recognizes that the momentous success experienced during the past five years is because WE were allowed to stand on the shoulders of a “giant among men” . . . our friend, Senator Alan K. Simpson. Al, our deepest respect and thanks to you, your incredible wife Ann, and your family, who so generously shared you with us these past five years. You have forever made us better.
A Message from Campaign Leaders

The past five years have confirmed for us at the University of Wyoming and the UW Foundation that the alumni and friends of this institution are truly “one of a kind.” You are the very best of friends to this university, giving generously to support the future of this marvelous institution of higher education. We can’t thank you enough for all you have done to ensure the success of this historical fundraising drive for the University of Wyoming!

June 30, 2005, concluded the five-year DISTINCTION Campaign, a campaign which began with an original goal of $100 million, was then increased to $125 million, and ultimately—with the support and initiative of the Wyoming State Legislature in creating matching funds for both endowed gifts and athletic facilities gifts—generated $204 million to bolster the university’s academic and athletic programs, as well as related facilities. More than doubling the original goal, this campaign surpassed the expectations of everyone…and that is due in totality to the generosity of our UW donors—each and every one of you!

The campaign total includes: $146 million in private gifts and pledges, $48 million in state matching funds for endowment, and $10 million in state matching funds for athletics facilities.

The DISTINCTION campaign focused on six specific objectives: excellence in academics; faculty support; technology and facility upgrades; serving Wyoming; the annual fund; and student support. Academic gifts have benefited the university’s libraries, economic development programs, international programs, symposiums on ethics and social justice, and dozens of other programs that touch every UW college and many departments.

University facilities also were bolstered by campaign contributions. The campaign exceeded its goal of raising $30 million
for technology and facilities upgrades by more than $8 million. Among several ambitious projects, donations helped expand the Hansen Livestock Teaching Arena, create the Wyoming Technology Business Center, build the Curtis and Marian Rochelle Athletics Center, and construct a new Health Sciences Center and Fay W. Whitney School of Nursing.

The DISTINCTION campaign raised $11 million for service programs to the state of Wyoming. Those include the Alan K. Simpson Institute for Western Politics and Leadership; the Ann Simpson Artmobile Program; the UW Art Museum’s Patricia R. Guthrie Special Exhibitions Gallery; Leadership Wyoming, a partnership with the Wyoming Foundation Program, which is helping to develop future leaders for the state; Wyoming Public Radio; the UW College of Business $10K Entrepreneurship Competition; and Wyoming State History Days.

The campaign also exceeded its goal of raising $30 million for UW student programs, generating nearly $32 million from more than 5,800 gifts. Contributions helped create and expand dozens of graduate fellowships, scholarships, research opportunities, and study-abroad awards.

All this to say—thank you! The successes shared here in this message as well as those detailed throughout this publication are a result of the loyalty and generosity of our supporters. We have been—and continue to be—overwhelmed by your contributions.

A final note of thanks—to Senator Alan K. Simpson, our marvelous chairman for the DISTINCTION Campaign. We couldn’t have done it without you, Al! You were our visionary, our leader, our cheerleader, and the glue that held us together through five years. With the deepest sincerity, we extend to you our gratitude.
The Alan K. Simpson Institute for Western Politics and Research was created during the DISTINCTION campaign (in 2000) when Julienne Michel contributed seed money for this new institute and pledged a $1 million estate gift to endow it permanently. Michel was a friend of former U.S. Senator Alan K. Simpson and his wife, Ann. The Simpson Institute is a unique program that focuses on the acquisition, preservation, and research use of the papers of prominent individuals, institutions, and organizations that have provided leadership—political, economic, social, and cultural—for Wyoming and the region. In addition, the Simpson Institute sponsors public programming and supports the AHC’s broader work promoting civic education. In 2003, as part of the DISTINCTION campaign, Carl Williams made a generous gift to the Simpson Institute to fund a multiyear oral-history project. The project is designed to capture unwritten recollections about Milward L. Simpson and his wife, Lorna; Alan Simpson and his wife, Ann; and Peter K. Simpson and his wife, Lynne.

The Toppan Rare Books Library was created in 1994 through the generosity of Clara Toppan to honor her husband, Fred. Then, during the DISTINCTION campaign, the Toppan Library for rare and special books was permanently endowed through a bequest from Toppan’s estate, the largest gift on record to the university. The Toppan Library is also an extraordinary teaching collection that supports a wide range of academic classes and research. Materials are acquired to support small-group instruction for students—UW graduate and undergraduate, community college, high school, and others—as well as to support research in the AHC’s manuscript collections, research on the history of the book, and topical research in a number of subject areas. The Toppan Library also actively engages in service and outreach, bringing the content and the inspiring physical presence of its holdings to members of the public as well.

Construction has recently been completed on the newest addition to the AHC’s facilities, the Alfred Jacob Miller Classroom. The Graff Foundation funded this project during the course of the DISTINCTION campaign. The new classroom is named in honor of early 19th-century artist Alfred Jacob Miller, who created some of the earliest paintings of the land that would become Wyoming. Previous generations of the Graff family donated an unparalleled collection of Miller’s works to the AHC, which are on display in the second-floor loggia of the Centennial Complex. In addition to attracting scholars from the world over, the immense and diverse manuscript collections at the AHC represent extraordinary teaching resources that support a broad array of academic classes and research. The classroom will be used by AHC reference archivists to orient classes (UW undergraduate, high school, and others) to the collections and the process of doing primary-source research. The AHC works with more classes than most university archives and special collections—making it a national leader in making historical collections accessible to students—and through this gift, the AHC will be making immediate use of long-needed space.
The sign outside the College of Agriculture associate dean’s office says it all: “Students—the reason we’re here.” The DISTINCTION campaign raised $2.1 million for students, including funds for hands-on learning experiences outside the classroom, undergraduate scholarships, and five new endowed graduate student fellowships.

Many departments will see a lasting impact from the DISTINCTION campaign. New funds will enhance the college’s research and teaching programs in diseases shared by wildlife and livestock, purchase library materials for the Department of Family and Consumer Sciences, support faculty and graduate student research programs, and purchase new equipment for the college.

Sharing scientifically based information with our citizens and building international relationships with other scientists throughout the world are two important functions of a land-grant university. Increased funding for the Global Perspectives in Agriculture program and support for educational publications for our constituents were made possible by DISTINCTION campaign gifts.

Frank Galey is dean of the College of Agriculture.

Top: Dr. Alexandre Latchininsky, a College of Agriculture entomologist and Global Perspectives in Agriculture grant recipient. Bottom: Eric Wald, the 2005–06 recipient of the Johnston Family Graduate Fellowship in Agriculture and a doctoral degree candidate in rangeland ecology and watershed management, attaches a global positioning system collar to a mature bull moose. (Photos courtesy of the College of Agriculture)
Outstanding programs in the College of Arts and Sciences were made even stronger thanks to the DISTINCTION campaign. Million-dollar endowments will advance faculty research in geology, physiology, and ornithology. A book on the birds of Wyoming will be produced. Graduate students in geology and geophysics will enjoy significantly expanded support, as will the department’s field programs, a key ingredient in the department’s success and reputation over the decades. Funding provided to the university’s premier publication, Rocky Mountain Geology, will increase its stature.

Elsewhere within the College of Arts and Sciences, generous gifts will create opportunities and stimulate further creativity in the fine arts. Scholarships were established for music, band, and symphony, while new endowments, including those from former faculty, will support academic programs in art, music, theater, and dance. Given the dramatic growth in enrollment in the fine arts, these gifts will allow much-needed flexibility and support.

Traditionally only a small percentage of UW students go abroad to study. Now more will enjoy this life-changing experience thanks to three new endowed funds.

In all, alumni and friends established 36 new endowments that will support students in their studies. These total about $7 million, which represents a significant increase in the annual funding available to ensure the success of our students. Another 30 endowments totaling $12 million will contribute to academic excellence. These investments will yield valuable returns for Wyoming.
One of the true legacies of the DISTINCTION campaign is the growth in the College of Business endowment, from $8.7 million in 2000 to more than $21.7 million by December 31, 2004. College endowment gifts have been earmarked for scholarships, academic programs, and statewide outreach.

Seven endowed professorships were established or enhanced during the campaign, making a permanent impact on the college:

- Stroock Distinguished Professorship of Natural Resource Conservation and Management, established by the Honorable Thomas Stroock of Casper, Wyoming, and held by Professor Jason Shogren.
- John A. Guthrie Distinguished Professor of Banking and Financial Services, established by Jack and Patricia Guthrie and held by Professor Sherrill Shaffer.
- Clara Toppan Chair in Accounting, made possible by an estate gift from Clara Toppan, Wyoming’s first female CPA, pending sale of property in Wilson, Wyoming.
- The college’s first professorship in business administration, being established by W. Richard Scarlett III and Margaret Scarlett of Jackson, Wyoming.
- Rile Chair of Leadership and Entrepreneurship, being established by Pat and Kathi Rile of Scottsdale, Arizona.
- An endowed professorship in sales and salesmanship, being established by Frank and Barbara Mendicino of Denver, Colorado, in memory of Frank’s parents, V. Flory and Helen A. Mendicino.

In addition to the endowed professorships, the Daniels Fund’s four-year $900,000 grant will strengthen business ethics education in Wyoming and nationwide, allowing the college to hire the Bill Daniels Distinguished Professor of Business Ethics.

The college’s 1,300 students also benefit from privately funded scholarships, fellowships, and internships that provide educational opportunities and help the college prepare students for future careers.
With significant gifts from the McMurry Foundation and Doug and Susan Samuelson, the new Education Classroom Building is taking shape. Phase I (three classrooms equipped with state-of-the-art multimedia technology and a student lounge) were completed and first used during the spring 2005 semester. The renovation will include five additional rooms. Upon completion, more than 90 percent of the College of Education’s instruction will take place in this building.

The Everett D. and Elizabeth M. Lantz Distinguished Professorship in Education is an extraordinary gift that will be used to attract and retain an outstanding education scholar and teacher with a proven track record and national reputation in his/her field of education.

The John P. “Jack” Ellbogen Teaching and Learning Symposium Series is the result of a generous endowment to support a symposium series in the College of Education. This series will attract leading researchers and scholars to UW, bringing cutting edge knowledge and new ideas and issues in teacher education to students, faculty and practicing teachers.

Multiple gifts from alumni and friends have increased student scholarship support by more than $900,000. A major anonymous gift, matched by the state's challenge fund, supports Science and Mathematics Teaching Center students and programs designed to enhance the teaching and learning of mathematics and science in the state.

The Excellence Fund for Literacy Education was initiated with an endowment from Doug and Susan Samuelson. An anonymous donor doubled the initial endowment. The fund provides support for a range of professional development and research opportunities in literacy education benefiting pre-service and in-service teachers, graduate students, and faculty.

Top: College of Education faculty are committed to personalized instruction and support of students. Middle: All classrooms in the Education Annex incorporate state-of-the-art instructional technology, providing students with innovative instruction and exposure to tools they likely will encounter in their careers. Bottom: Donors Mick and Susie McMurry enjoy hearing long-time friend Judy Catchpole respond to naming of a classroom in the Education Annex in her honor. Catchpole is former Wyoming superintendent of public instruction and a founding member of the College of Education Development Board.
The gift establishing the Roy and Caryl Cline Chair in Engineering, Environment and Natural Resources is now in excess of $3 million with the state match. This endowed chair in the College of Engineering will significantly strengthen its water resource programs on campus. This position is shared with the Ruckelshaus Institute and Haub School of Environment and Natural Resources.

The General Samuel C. Phillips Engineering Campaign—providing support for students, faculty, and facilities—was launched as a component of the DISTINCTION campaign by the College of Engineering National Advisory Board. Oliver Boileau challenged board members to give new gifts to the campaign, which he would match up to $1 million. The challenge was met, and many of the gifts received the state match. In addition, the Boileau family donated another state-matched $100,000 for the Boileau Laboratory in the College of Engineering.

A $300,000 gift (matched by state funds to total $600,000) will support an endowed professorship in the Department of Civil Engineering for the structural engineering discipline and subdisciplines related to infrastructure. This gift establishing the Vincent O. Smith Professorship for Infrastructure in Civil Engineering is part of the overall Smith donations to the campaign totaling over $1.5 million.

The Hewlett Foundation granted UW’s College of Engineering $1.15 million in support of the Engineering Schools of the West Initiative. The new William and Flora Hewlett Foundation Center for Excellence in Engineering Education focuses on recruitment of students through enhanced science and math curricula in K–12, and the retention and quality of students through redefined and restructured freshman and sophomore engineering curricula.

Top: Boileau Laboratory was endowed by Ollie and Lee Boileau in 2003. Bottom: The Middle-School Girls’ Engineering Camp is funded by the Hewlett Foundation.

(Photos courtesy of the College of Engineering)
The DISTINCTION campaign has generated major and much-needed funding for the College of Health Sciences. The generosity of our many alumni and friends has resulted in the college's and divisions' increased contributions to the education of UW students and to the betterment of health care provision for the state of Wyoming and the entire Rocky Mountain region. The enhancement of students' learning has and always will be of utmost importance to the college and its divisions. With the funds realized from the campaign, existing scholarships have been expanded and new ones established. With the rising costs of tuition and supplies, scholarships help students when they need help most and serve as incentives for them to give back to their college and/or division when they become established.

As a result of the campaign and the generosity of donors such as Roy R. and Fay W. Whitney, Mary T. Gullikson, Carolyn M. and Al Carollo, Jr., and the Griffin Foundation, the dream of a consolidated Health Sciences Center is now a reality. The enlarged and renovated Biochemistry Building is now home to all of the college's programs and divisions except the Division of Kinesiology and Health, which remains in the expanded and remodeled Corbett Building. The interdisciplinary approach to education and research offered by the center has already shown remarkable results. Students learn from contact and consultation with fellow students in varied disciplines, thereby strengthening the importance of collaboration in the provision of medical and social services. Faculty members have benefited as well by their increased ability to make major research contributions addressing important national and international issues in cardiovascular health, diabetes and cancer treatment and control, and stress management. These many advantages are a direct result of the outstanding teaching and research facilities offered in the building—"smart" classrooms, advanced computer labs, well-equipped practice treatment centers, and expanded research and telemedicine capabilities.

The center stands as physical proof of the state's commitment to outstanding health care and wellness maintenance. That assurance will enhance recruitment and retention of outstanding faculty, lead to the education of the best-equipped students in the health care professions, and result in countless ways to enhance the vitality of Wyoming and its citizens.

Robert O. Kelley is dean of the College of Health Sciences.
Two new named professorships—the Carl M. Williams Professor of Law and Ethics and the Carl M. Williams Professor of Law and Social Responsibility—are supported by endowments created by Carl M. Williams.

The Kepler Chair in Law and Leadership was created with gifts from Charles and Ursula Kepler of Cody, the Paul Stock Foundation, and an anonymous donor. The endowment honors three graduates of the UW College of Law—Charles G. Kepler; his daughter, Loretta B. Kepler; and his nephew, the late Courtney R. Kepler—and recognizes their many contributions to the College of Law and to the practice of law.

Several gifts, all matched through the state matching program, will yield an endowment of $1.4 million to support faculty research in the College of Law. These gifts are from Greg Dyekman, the Goodstein Foundation, Sally Hopper, the Kline Family Foundation, and Carl Williams.

Two new endowed speaker series—the Maxfield Family Distinguished Speaker Series and the Carl M. Williams Speaker Series on Ethics—have been created through the generosity of Pete and Tom Maxfield and Carl M. Williams.

Numerous gifts from friends and alumni of the College of Law helped to substantially increase support for student scholarships.

Jerry Parkinson is dean of the College of Law.

Top: Professor Harvey Gelb is the first holder of the Kepler Chair in Law and Leadership. Middle: Young-Jun Roh, the 2005 Peter C. Maxfield Outstanding Third-Year Student and recipient of the Alfred M. Pence Scholarship, is one of many named scholarships supported through private gifts. Bottom: U.S. Supreme Court Justice Sandra Day O’Connor, the inaugural Carl M. Williams Speaker on Ethics, enjoys a laugh after her lecture with former U.S. Senator Alan Simpson.
For the Outreach School, access is the cornerstone of our mission. As the result of our efforts, UW’s academic, cultural, and enrichment programs are available to learners of all ages, backgrounds, and locations.

More than one out of every four adults in Wyoming is a Wyoming Public Radio listener. In less than four years, the WPR Endowment has grown to nearly $500,000, and the total fundraising effort has increased 86 percent since 2000.

Two new programs were created to help adult and nontraditional students achieve success: the UW/CC Student Emergency Fund and the newly endowed UW/CC Student Leadership Scholarship. The scholarship was made possible through leadership donations from David H. and Mary Crum, the McMurry Foundation, Stuart and Daney Tanner, the True Foundation, and the Zimmerman Family Foundation.

The UW/CC Center has been the recipient of significant funding including the NSF/EPSCoR Community College Research Support Program, Casper College/UW/CC Center Biomedical Research Infrastructure Network (BRIN) Fellowship Program, and Casper College/UW/CC Center BRIN Supplemental Grant.

UW has received a five-year, $13 million grant from the National Institutes of Health (NIH) to expand the university’s biomedical research capabilities, part of which will provide outreach activities for UW and community college students and faculty who are part of the university’s INBRE (IDEA Networks for Biomedical Research Excellence) network.

The Myra Fox Skelton Foundation of Casper continues to provide annual living-allowance stipends for students who are single parents so that the students can spend more time with their children and more time on their academic pursuits.

Top: Maggi Murdock is UW’s associate vice president for academic affairs and dean of the Outreach School.

Top: Scott Seville, associate dean of the Outreach School and associate professor of zoology and physiology at UW/CC Center, teaches a course at the base of the Tetons. Bottom: Desiree Riley was the Myra Fox Skelton Foundation stipend award winner for 2004–2005, shown with her children, Chloe and Isaac. (Photos courtesy of UW Outreach)
Carol McMurry and Pat Spieles created the McMurry/Spieles Endowment for Library Excellence with a significant gift. The fund will strengthen professional development for library staff, promote reading by creating the Alma Doke McMurry reading room, and add a popular reading collection to the libraries.

Private funds created six new endowments supporting collections, technology, student group-study facilities, and operations, including two excellence funds.

University Libraries has witnessed an increase in participation and support for the 50th Class Reunion’s Book Endowment, established in 1999 to support undergraduate student resources through the addition of undergraduate books to the libraries’ collections.

The establishment of the University Libraries Development Board is a milestone toward assisting the libraries with private funding and helping raise awareness about the libraries’ importance to the campus community, namely, providing students, faculty, and staff a place for learning, access to technology, and centralized academic resources.

The new Information, Learning, and Library Center (IL2C), supported with $45 million approved by the Wyoming Legislature, is scheduled to break ground in 2007. This new facility will provide growth space for an expanding collection for the next twenty years and beyond—University Libraries adds 24,000 print volumes annually. The center will create an integrated learning center with modern student computing facilities by combining reference instruction with information technology assistance; create group study rooms and space for students and faculty to work together; and foster a partnership with the Ellbogen Center for Teaching and Learning and the academic success center, LeaRN (Learning Resource Network), which will bring together referral and research services into a single building.

The improved space provided by IL2C will facilitate interaction among UW faculty and students and meet the needs of the students and how they use information and study on campus. Since Coe Library was built in 1958, the basic concept of information literacy has changed dramatically, with increasingly greater use of electronic information retrieval and management. Private gifts will play an important role in helping to enhance the new center in years to come.
B ringing the world of art to Wyoming, the UW Art Museum offers a diverse programmatic mission that encourages academic integration, artistic excellence, and cooperative exchanges with departments across campus and with regional, national, and international cultural institutions. As the only university art museum in Wyoming, it embraces the breadth of artistic and cultural expression from all times and cultures. Exhibitions and education programs that articulate art and artifacts illuminate our understanding of our culture, our history, and ourselves and are core objectives. Outreach programs such as the Ann Simpson Artmobile extend the museum into classrooms and communities statewide.

During the DISTINCTION campaign, the Patricia R. Guthrie Special Exhibition Gallery Endowment for the acquisition of artwork, exhibition development, scholarship, and conservation was established. The Julienne Michel Artmobile Endowment was created in recognition of this premier outreach program for the university. Funds from the McMurry Foundation and FMC Corporation funded the purchase of a new van for the program.

Top: D-Force tji wara ST (2002, bicycle parts, 27 x 29.5 x 9 in), by Willie Cole, was purchased for the UW Art Museum’s permanent collection with partial funds from the Patricia Guthrie Endowment for Special Exhibitions. Bottom: Fifth- and sixth-graders from Kaycee, Wyoming, display projects created with artmobile curator Sara Schleicher. (Photos courtesy of UW Art Museum)
During the past year, the Department of Intercollegiate Athletics announced a record-breaking year for private gifts by raising over $10 million in support of its student-athletes. In May, UW announced the largest naming-rights gift in school history—the naming of “Jonah Field” at War Memorial Stadium as a result of a $5 million gift from the Martin and McMurry families. This gift was matched by the state of Wyoming through its matching-gift program for athletic facilities. The field was named after the prolific natural gas field located in Sublette County, Wyoming, that bears the same name.

Shortly after announcing the Martin/McMurry gift in May, UW also announced that the $10 million matching fund appropriated by the state in March of 2004 had been fully committed. Nearly 70 different donors made matching gifts ($25,000 and higher) to the campaign for UW’s athletic facilities: “UW Athletics—Building for the Future.”

Annual gifts to the Cowboy Joe Club reached an all-time high with nearly 4,000 donors making cash contributions to support scholarships for UW student-athletes. With its fund-raising activities, the club also generated $200,000 from its annual live auction and its annual online auction. In addition, nearly 2,000 golfers participated in the annual Cowboy Joe Club Golf Series during summer 2005.
The Helga Otto Haub School of Environment and Natural Resources was named with an endowment commitment from Erivan and Helga Haub that will provide support for students and faculty for many years to come. Beverly Spicer made a commitment to fund an endowment to create a chair in environment and natural resources in memory of her husband, Eldon M. “Spice” Spicer. Roy and Caryl Cline provided funding for an endowed chair to support teaching, research, and outreach in the College of Engineering and Haub School of Environment and Natural Resources.

The UW William D. Ruckelshaus Institute of Environment and Natural Resources was named in honor of its first board chairperson in recognition of his national reputation for enlightened leadership on environment and natural resource issues. Gifts and grants from numerous and generous sources expanded the work of the Ruckelshaus Institute and the Haub School in Wyoming and the region.

Through the William D. Ruckelshaus Institute and the Helga Otto Haub School of Environment and Natural Resources, the University of Wyoming is ideally situated to assist citizens of Wyoming and the West.

The Ruckelshaus Institute is a model in the West for developing new approaches to addressing complex environmental and natural resource challenges while recognizing the importance of the economy and scientific uncertainty.

The Haub School builds students’ knowledge and provides useful tools through an interdisciplinary experience that prepares them to work with others in solving environmental and natural resources issues.

Top: Ruckelshaus Institute Board members Jay Kirby, U.S. Senator Craig Thomas, and former Wyoming Governor Mike Sullivan continue a discussion during a meeting break. Middle: Ruckelshaus Institute Board member and Big Horn Lumber general manager Gary Erickson visits with Haub School students during a tour of the facility. Bottom: Haub School students learn about drilling equipment during a tour of gas operations near Pinedale, Wyoming. (Top photo by Ann Boelter, bottom photo by Josh Moro)
The late John L. Kemmerer Jr. wanted to help students from the town which bears his family name. He established a $500,000 scholarship fund in 1992. The John L. Kemmerer Jr. Scholarship Fund provided full support for one student each year from either the Kemmerer or Cokeville area. In 2004 the family, through the Kemmerer Family Foundation, decided to expand the scholarship program to benefit Dubois High School graduates as well as graduates from both Kemmerer and Cokeville. Since 1992, thirteen total recipients, including ten from Kemmerer and three from Cokeville, have benefited from the scholarship.

Kemmerer’s grandfather, Mahlon S. Kemmerer, along with Patrick J. Quealy Sr., founded the coal town of Kemmerer in 1897. “Our former operations in and around Kemmerer contributed materially to the financial success of my family, and it is with a feeling of gratitude to our former employees and residents of the area that I have established this scholarship program,” said the late John L. Kemmerer Jr.

“This scholarship allows young, motivated students to pursue their academic dreams. We are proud to be able to provide these scholarships to these deserving young people of Wyoming,” says John L. Kemmerer III.

Additional contributions were made of $725,000 during the latter part of the 1990s by Mr. Kemmerer. The Kemmerer Family Foundation recently gifted $600,000 to the scholarship fund, bringing the foundation’s total amount gifted in support of the scholarship fund during the course of UW’s five-year DISTINCTION campaign to $800,000.

The family was very pleased to learn the state of Wyoming would match their most recent contribution. The fund, now valued at $2.9 million, supports graduates from Kemmerer, Dubois, and Cokeville. When the scholarship program is fully implemented, twelve students will be assisted each year.
The John P. Ellbogen Foundation committed $1 million to the University of Wyoming, bringing the Ellbogen Foundation’s total donations to UW since 2001 to more than $1.6 million. The gift will be matched dollar for dollar by the State Endowment Fund. Specific allocations for the recent $1 million donation will be decided at a later date.

The John P. Ellbogen Foundation was formed out of the proceeds of the estate of John P. “Jack” Ellbogen, who died in July 2001. Prior to Ellbogen’s death, he donated $1.2 million to UW, primarily contributing to educational distinction.

“My dad felt that it was a tremendous privilege to attend the university and to spend his lifetime in Wyoming. He attributed his success in business to his education at UW. He wanted to continue to benefit his alma mater and the state through the foundation,” says Ellbogen’s daughter, Mary Ellbogen Garland of Laramie.

Rod Moss, longtime friend of Jack Ellbogen and current Ellbogen Foundation board member, describes Jack as the quintessential entrepreneur. “He was a very dynamic person, full of ideas and one who loved the challenge of business and risk taking. He was extremely patriotic and deeply concerned about the direction the country was going,” Moss says. “He was especially passionate about public education and understood how important education was to our nation’s future. The [Foundation] board is committed to carrying out Jack’s long-term vision for public education, the university, and the state of Wyoming. Jack worked tirelessly in these areas until his death.”

The Foundation’s mission is “to create or cause change, primarily for the benefit of the people of the state of Wyoming through the support of science, education, and charity,” and its primary goal is to support education, making a big impact in a few key areas, emphasizes Garland. “We are working with Educational Leadership and other granting organizations throughout Wyoming to partner with us in attaining our goals in accordance with my dad’s vision,” she adds.

“My dad has given my siblings and me such an incredible gift. He set the stage perfectly for us to carry on his legacy,” Garland says.
A DREAM FOR THE COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

“O ur dream is to make it possible for the College of Business to have one of the premier selling and salesmanship programs in the western United States,” shares Frank Mendicino. Frank and his wife, Barbara, recently committed $550,000 to the College of Business for an endowed professorship in professional selling and salesmanship. Like other endowed gifts received during the DISTINCTION campaign, the Mendicino gift was doubled for a total value of $1.1 million.

“The chair is a tribute to my parents,” says Frank. “My dad received his degree from UW and was a successful small businessman in Wyoming. He taught me that in business nothing happens until somebody sells something to somebody else. It’s not only a tribute to my parents but also a development of a practical application program that I think is critically important to all students, especially to business students,” says Frank.

“I have spent more time in my professional career in business, and I have been on the business advisory council for a number of years, so it is a pleasure for us to give back to the College of Business,” he says.

Wyoming natives, the couple met at the University of Wyoming. They have committed nearly $854,000 to UW since 2000, supporting many areas on campus, including athletics, the art museum, and the law school. The couple established the Gilroy Award in memory of Barbara Mendicino’s parents to honor outstanding male and female golfers each year.

“The University of Wyoming and the state of Wyoming have been very good to my family, my wife, and my wife’s family,” Frank adds. “The relationships we’ve built with Wyoming students, alums, faculty, and staff over the years have been a tremendous reward for what we’ve done to give back to the university. We feel as though we have received much more than we’ve given from the relationships that we’ve built with the university and all the wonderful people associated with it,” he says.

The Mendicinos both have a great love for the university they attended. “A true love for the University of Wyoming is apparent in Frank’s nominations and support letters,” said former UW President Philip Dubois. In 2004, Mendicino received the UW President’s Best Friend Award. In May of 2005, Frank also received the Honorary Doctorate of Laws degree, the university’s highest award.

Frank Mendicino served on the UW Foundation Board of Directors for eight years (1997–2005), holding various officers positions including Chairman of the Board and is currently an Emeritus member. He also serves on UW’s Cowboy Joe Club Board of Directors and the College of Business Advisory Council. Barbara Mendicino was a former Art Museum board member.

SUPPORTING INTEGRITY AND ETHICS IN BUSINESS

A business ethics education program in Wyoming and across the nation is well under way thanks to a $900,000 gift from the Daniels Fund to the UW College of Business. The grant is one of the largest private foundation contributions ever received at UW.

This gift will provide the College of Business the funding to attract a visiting professor, the Bill Daniels Distinguished Professor of Business Ethics, who will develop a business ethics curriculum. Outcomes of the gift will include a
Helga and Erivan Haub gifted $3 million (doubled to $6 million through a state match) to the School of Environment and Natural Resources (SENR). In recognition of the generous donation, the UW Trustees renamed the school the Helga Otto Haub School of Environment and Natural Resources.

The Haubs, originally from Germany, own a ranch in Sublette County, Wyoming, where they have summered for the past 21 years. They have been members of the William D. Ruckelshaus Institute of Environment and Natural Resources (RIENR) Board since its inception in 1994. Their family-owned company, the Tengelmann Group, provides textile and nonfood discounting, do-it-yourself home improvement supplies, drugstores, and food retailing in fifteen countries.

Helga and Erivan Haub would like to see their gift used to “further environmental education, create strong awareness of the pressing issues due to the vast natural resources in Wyoming, and develop guidelines to help local and state government in their decision making.”

Harold Bergman, director of the Haub School, is working with the Haubs, UW faculty and students, and others in Wyoming and across the region to develop a plan for utilizing the earnings from the endowment. Much of the endowment will likely focus on student support within the Haub School, including new course and curriculum development as well as support for local, regional and international field experiences and graduate stipends. Other areas of use may include bringing visiting professionals to campus to participate in teaching activities, along with public outreach and education programs.

Ruckelshaus Institute Board Chairman and former Wyoming Governor Mike Sullivan expressed his gratitude for the Haubs’ generosity. “They have demonstrated not only a longstanding commitment to a sustainable environment but also a commitment to Wyoming’s sustainable natural resource economy. The Haubs have now followed their personal commitment of time with a gift which will impact the lives of Wyoming students for years to come,” Sullivan says.

Many individuals in the UW community will feel the benefits of the Haubs’ contribution over coming years. Former UW President Phil Dubois expressed his thanks by saying, “We are indebted to the Haubs not only for the generosity of this gift but also for their continuing involvement with university’s environment and natural resources programs during the past decade.”

The Haubs also gifted $100,000 for scholarship support of students enrolled in environment and natural resource programs within the Helga Otto Haub School of Environment and Natural Resources. Other gifts have been designated to the UW Art Museum, the Ann Simpson Artmobile endowment, and the Ruckelshaus Institute of Environmental and Natural Resources.

The couple’s campaign total for gifts across campus totals nearly $3.2 million.
For Carol McMurry and Patrick Spieles of Loveland, Colorado, the decision to donate $1 million (doubled to $2 million through a state match) to the UW Libraries was simple.

“Making a gift to University Libraries was an easy decision for us—it benefits every UW college and every UW student, says McMurry. Whether you’re an athlete or an art major, the library is a hub of learning, research, and student life. My passion for libraries was instilled in me by my grandmother, Alma Doke McMurry, who took me every Saturday to the stately Carnegie Library in Casper,” she says.

Maggie Farrell, dean of University Libraries, applauds the donors’ vision.

“The University Libraries are so grateful for this generous gift from Carol and Pat. The Alma Doke McMurry Endowment for Library Excellence will enable the Libraries to undertake several projects not possible through state funding alone,” she adds.

With the expansion of the William Robertson Coe Library through a new Information, Library, and Learning Center (IL2C) as part of a $45 million construction and renovation project funded by the Wyoming Legislature, the libraries will be renewed as a pivotal spot on campus for students and faculty alike to gather, learn and share ideas. Initial schematics of the new facility are presently on display in the building, and the final phase of planning will take place this year.

“It is an exciting time to be a part of University Libraries!” Farrell was recently overheard saying. “A gift of this magnitude allows us to strengthen our professional development activities for librarians and staff so that cutting-edge research and learning techniques are being shared with every student and patron that uses our services and resources—whether in Laramie or across the state and country. This gift will also allow us to build a comfortable reading room, which is something we currently do not have in the Libraries, and to add a popular reading collection for our patrons to use and enjoy,” says Farrell.

Information, Library, and Learning Center

“Though our first mission is the academic support of the university, it is wonderful that we are able to continue to promote reading and lifelong learning through private funding in this way—Wyoming is filled with folks who understand and appreciate the power of the written word and a good book. It is because of people like Carol’s grandmother, Alma Doke McMurry, that we have generations who love to read—Carol and Pat’s gift is a testament to that and we are thrilled to call them our friends!” Farrell adds.

It is the couple's hope that their gift will motivate others to make leadership gifts and contribute to the UW Libraries in an upcoming campaign and through named gift opportunities within the IL2C project. “There is no better way to inspire giving in others than by giving yourself to the causes you believe in and those that have made a difference in your life—for me it has been reading and learning,” says McMurry. “The Libraries will always be the heart of the university and essential to the continued health of the institution—from recruiting top-notch students from Wyoming and the region and providing cutting-edge resources and technology to students and researchers, to retaining world-class faculty—it just makes sense!”

As a testament to the couple’s commitment to giving back, Carol and Pat established two endowments within the Wyoming Community Foundation in 2000. The McMurry Library Endowment provides support to Wyoming libraries and funds continuing education grants for Wyoming library employees. A second endowment provides funding to assist Wyoming families with medical expenses at the Children’s Hospital in Denver, where Carol and Pat have been actively involved and Pat has served as a board member. They have also established two endowed chairs at the Children’s Hospital in pediatric neurosurgery and pediatric neuro-oncology.

Both Carol and Pat are Wyoming natives and University of Wyoming grads. After graduation, Carol followed her passion by working in several libraries, while Pat went into pharmaceutical research and later mining. Both say the lifelong friendships made during their years at UW have been invaluable in their lives. “UW is a great source of pride for us—it is time for those of us who can, to give back and ensure UW will be a remarkable institution in the future as well,” says McMurry.

The Colorado couple has also given in excess of $100,000 to other areas across the university campus, bringing their total amount gifted to the university since the start of the five-year DISTINCTION campaign to over $1.1 million. Carol and Pat are friends indeed.
Bob and Carol Berry of Sheridan, Wyoming, gifted $1 million to UW (doubled to $2 million through the state match) to attract a nationally recognized scholar in the field of ecology. Annual income generated by the gift will establish the Robert B. Berry Distinguished Chair in Ecology, with an emphasis on ornithology.

“My goals are to help the university establish a national and international prominence in ecology and to bring under one umbrella the university’s life science programs of biology, zoology, and botany,” says Bob Berry.

A lifelong naturalist and expert falconer, Berry says his family’s gift, with the accompanying state and university funding, will enable UW to lure a “superstar” to head a new graduate program in ecology. That, in turn, can help the university attract top students and more research funds to its life science programs, an academic area targeted for distinction in UW’s Academic Plan.

The Berrys’ primary interest is wildlife and their habitat. They own and operate Wolf Creek Ranch near Sheridan, 12,000 acres of deeded and government lands. The ranch reflects the couple’s love of nature and respect for the land. Since 1995, the Berrys have placed more than 8,000 acres of their ranch under conservation easement to protect the land from development in perpetuity.

“If the wildlife has food and protective cover, they thrive,” Bob Berry says. “Once these lands get developed, they’re developed forever and the wildlife disappears. There’s no going back,” he says.

“Bob and Carol Berry love Wyoming and came to the state because of its natural biological diversity and beauty,” says Dennis Knight, a retired UW botany professor who served with Berry as a trustee for the Wyoming chapter of The Nature Conservancy. “Now they are stepping forward to help manage those resources so they will be available for future generations,” Knight adds.

The Berrys have donated more than $1.7 million to UW since 2000.
Mick and Susie McMurry of Casper have donated $6.7 million to UW during the course of UW’s five-year "DISTINCTION" campaign.

The couple has generously contributed to numerous areas on campus, including UW Athletics, the College of Education, the planned University Plaza Hotel and Convention Center as well as the Technology Business Center (currently under construction).

A key $5 million gift (doubled to $10 million through the state match) to Athletics from the McMurry family and John and Mari Ann Martin resulted in the naming of the playing surface "Jonah Field" at the War Memorial Stadium. The gift will also help fund other construction projects identified in the Strategic Plan for Intercollegiate Athletics.

In announcing the Athletics gift, former UW President Philip L. Dubois explained that the name Jonah Field recognizes not only the massive natural gas field in Sublette County that made the gift possible but also financial contributions to state projects, including higher education, made over time by Wyoming’s extractive industries.

“Wow, I’m overwhelmed by the generosity of the Martin and McMurry families,” enthuses UW Athletics Director Gary Barta. “This gift, and the many others who have committed to the campaign earlier, allow us to get under way with most of the facilities needs of the strategic plan.”

“Susie and I will be the first to admit we are not the biggest Wyoming football fans, but we are big fans of the University of Wyoming and the state of Wyoming,” says Mick McMurry. “This donation is fueled by Wyoming’s rich oil and gas resources. Jonah Field in particular will contribute thousands of jobs and billions of dollars to the citizens of Wyoming during the next decades,” he says.

“Investment in the University of Wyoming football stadium will go hand in hand with the new University Plaza Hotel and Convention Center project. This is an example of keeping the wealth in Wyoming,” he says.

The planned hotel and convention center received a $2 million contribution from the McMurrays. The new facility will be built in the vacant lot at 22nd Street and Grand Avenue.

“My wife and I both attended the University of Wyoming, and now we have the opportunity to invest in a community asset,” says Mick McMurry. “This convention center will benefit the university and the city of Laramie. It’s been needed for a long time.”

The McMurrays also provided a key $1.6 million donation toward construction of the Wyoming Technology Business Center, a technology-oriented business incubator under construction on the open land between 22nd and Harney Streets.

Technology Business Center
In spring 2005, Casper entrepreneurs John and Mari Ann Martin, along with Mick and Susie McMurry, committed a $5 million gift (doubled to $10 million through the state match) to UW Athletics. Upon announcement of the donation, UW named the playing surface at War Memorial Stadium “Jonah Field” after the natural gas field in Sublette County that helped make the benefactors’ gift possible. The gift will also help construct numerous projects identified in the Strategic Plan for UW Athletics.

Not only does the playing surface carry a new name, but it features a brand new, state-of-the-art artificial playing surface that was finished in early August. The Desso Challenge Pro 60 turf was installed at a cost of just under $1 million.

“On behalf of the Martin family, we want this gift to reflect our gratitude to this wonderful state for all that it has given to us over the past 30 years,” says John Martin. “This is a unique opportunity for us to memorialize the Jonah natural gas field and to recognize the contributions made from the minerals industry to this university and to the state of Wyoming. We believe that this gift will produce athletic facilities that are among the best in the NCAA. We hope that this gift will inspire future UW students and student athletes to continue the rich traditions of this university.”

“Natural gas made this gift possible,” said former UW President Philip Dubois, “but the generosity of John and Mari Ann Martin and Mick and Susie McMurry, coupled with the foresight of the Wyoming State Legislature in instituting a matching fund program, will make possible many of the enhancements to intercollegiate athletics enumerated in our strategic plan. The ultimate beneficiaries will be our student athletes and our fans.”

UW Head Football Coach Joe Glenn concurs. “The generosity of the Martin and McMurry families is just tremendous. On the one hand, it is so symbolic of the love for this university that convinced me and my staff to come to the University of Wyoming in 2003. But it’s also a gift that will absolutely contribute to building our football program—and many other programs at the university, like soccer, tennis, and track—to where we can compete for conference championships year after year.”

The couple has donated nearly $70,000 to other areas on campus, bringing the Martins’ gift total since 2000 to nearly $2.6 million.
GIVING BACK TO UW

Dick and Maggie (Webster) Scarlett find that giving to their alma mater is a gratifying experience. Donating to UW is returning, in part, what has been given to them and generations to come.

The couple feels closely connected to UW. Their son, Bill, and son-in-law, Kent Noble, are graduates of the university. Maggie’s parents and siblings are graduates of the university. Dick’s brother, sister, and the couple’s nephews and nieces have attended and graduated from UW. “It’s a family affair,” states Maggie.

Dick was awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Laws in May 2002. He has also been recognized as a UW Distinguished Alumnus and a Distinguished Alumnus of the College of Business. Maggie was named an Outstanding Alumna of the College of Arts and Sciences in 2004. In 2000, the Webster family was honored by the university as the Wyoming Family of the Year.

Dick received his B.S. degree in business administration from the College of Business, while Maggie is a graduate of the College of Arts and Sciences with a B.S. degree in hearing and speech science.

The couple recently committed a significant financial amount to the College of Business for a Distinguished Professorship of Business Administration. “I have a strong appreciation and connection with the College of Business,” says Dick. “I hope I have an impact on that school through giving.”

“One of our motivations for supporting the College of Business is that small businesses are integral to the economic well-being of the state of Wyoming,” states Maggie. Dick serves as the Chairman of the Board and CEO of United Bancorporation of Wyoming, Inc., and its three affiliate banks, The Jackson State Bank & Trust, Shoshone First Bank of Cody, and the Sheridan State Bank. United Bancorporation of Wyoming, Inc., is the largest financial institution domiciled in the state of Wyoming.

The Scarletts have provided significant additional gifts to the College of Agriculture, UW Athletics, the Cowboy Joe Club, the UW Art Museum, and other areas on campus.

$1 MILLION FROM UNIWYO FEDERAL CREDIT UNION

UniWyo Federal Credit Union gifted $1 million to UW Athletics and the university’s scholarship and international programs.

According to UW Athletics Director Gary Barta, $750,000 of the gift is earmarked for intercollegiate athletics and $250,000 in support of the university’s scholarship and international programs.

In light of the generous gift, the Multipurpose Gym has become the UniWyo Sports Complex. The complex is home to the Cowgirl volleyball and Cowboy wrestling programs and will host numerous events and activities.
The Wyoming Heritage Foundation (WHF) has gifted over $1 million to the Leadership Wyoming program, paving the way for new leaders for the future and promoting a better Wyoming. WHF established an endowment that generates interest income for the program, which currently has 198 total graduates and about 40 graduates annually.

The UW Board of Trustees and the Wyoming Heritage Foundation’s Steering Committee unanimously approved a unique partnership to create Leadership Wyoming in 1999.

“The partnership is a positive because it brings academic and business community resources together to create a great program. For Wyoming’s long-term future, we have to have leaders who understand the range of issues and challenges facing our state, who understand critical components of what it means to be a leader, and, finally, who also understand themselves, which relates to the trusteeship component of the program,” says Bill Schilling, WHF president and director of Leadership Wyoming.

“Leadership Wyoming is an important component of achieving our mission,” says Schilling. “It’s a leadership program that benefits the entire state of Wyoming, including the business community—it’s about creating new leaders for the future, leaders from all walks of life, including nonprofit sectors, government, education, business, and community volunteers,” says Schilling. Of the 1,500 state and local leadership programs in America, Leadership Wyoming is the only one with an endowment in excess of $2 million.

The Wyoming Heritage Foundation and the Wyoming Business Alliance are linked but are two separate entities. A 67-member steering committee, representative of Wyoming’s business community, sets policies for the two organizations. The Wyoming Business Alliance is a 501(c)(a) not-for-profit organization, and the Wyoming Heritage Foundation is a 501(c)(3) educational organization.

“Without UW, the credit union would not be here,” says Knopp. “My hope is that the ties between UniWyo Federal Credit Union and UW will grow even stronger as we support the matching funds program for athletic facilities, a program that is particularly important to UW,” says Knopp.

With the state match, Knopp says, a permanent fund of $500,000 will soon be available to fund scholarships to UniWyo members.
Celebrating the Final Year

Exceeding expectations through private giving at the University of Wyoming, UW’s Campaign for DISTINCTION reached $204 million in support of Wyoming’s university.

The record breaking total of $204 million raised during the University of Wyoming’s five-year Campaign for DISTINCTION was made possible by committed alumni, friends of UW, and a generous State Legislature. This year, 25,519 donors came forward to help UW reach this outstanding giving level. Their incredible generosity will continue to impact the lives of students and people of Wyoming far into the future.

Annual private support of UW has grown significantly in the last few years. During fiscal years 1992–1997, the annual average for private support was $6.3 million, compared to the annual average of $25.1 million during fiscal years 2001–2005. This fiscal year, private gifts reached a total of $29,907,219. Included in these gifts was funding for 66 new endowments, bringing the total number of endowments to 950, an increase of 7.5% in the last year alone.

Alumni and friends of the University of Wyoming have responded overwhelmingly to the offer of matching funds by the State Legislature. Both the $48 million endowment state matching funds and the $10 million athletic facilities matching funds were fully committed in record time.

UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING FOUNDATION ENDOWMENTS

During the University of Wyoming’s Campaign for DISTINCTION, which ended June 30, 2005, UW alumni, friends, and the Wyoming State Legislature gave of themselves and their financial resources to establish a vast array of endowments from scholarships to faculty positions to acquisition and collection of art works. In the last fiscal year, an amazing 66 new endowments were created. The total number of endowments now is 950, and the tremendous growth in the number of endowments over the past five years can be seen in the bar graph on page 29. A list of the new endowments established by our generous donors during the past year is included on page 33.

An endowment is a permanent fund invested for the long term, in contrast to an expendable fund that is typically used for immediate needs. By law, the principal or gift of an endowment must remain intact and only the income and related gains may be spent. Because the fund remains
in perpetuity, it is a wonderful way for donors to continue giving to the University of Wyoming for future generations. In addition to providing a flow of revenue for the donor’s specified purpose(s), endowments offer naming opportunities, for example in honor of loved ones, favorite professors, or special friends.

When a donor creates an endowed fund, the gift buys shares, much like a mutual fund, in the endowment pool. Accounting is done separately for each fund, and based upon the number of shares owned in the pool, income is distributed after a one-year wait period established by the UW Foundation Board of Directors. Of this income for each fund, 4.75% of the fair market value of a three-year average, as determined on December 31, is distributed to the donor specified program at UW. Earnings above that amount are added to the corpus enabling the principal to grow and provide a hedge against inflation.
The terrific growth in the number of endowed funds has also led to an equally large growth in the size of the total endowment. At the end of this fiscal year on June 30, 2005, the endowment had grown to $214 million, a 51.77% increase over the $141 million at the beginning of the campaign on July 1, 2000. The bar graph on page 29 demonstrates the pool’s tremendous growth during the five years of the campaign and the exciting results of the overwhelming generosity of UW donors and the State Legislature.

During FY2005, $7.8 million from endowment income and expendable gifts was distributed to benefit the University. The total distribution from gift accounts during the five years of the campaign can be seen in the bar graph on page 29.

INVESTMENTS

Effectively managing the assets contributed to the University of Wyoming Foundation, including the endowment pool, cash, reserve balances, charitable remainder unitrusts, and gift annuities, is one of the major focuses of its Board of Directors. The goal is to invest in a broad range of asset categories and reap the highest return with the lowest risk possible so the University can realize the most benefit. The Board of Directors takes very seriously the investment decisions governing gifts entrusted to their supervision.

The investment advising firm of Monticello Associates of Denver, Colorado was hired in December 1999 before the campaign started in July 2000, and new asset classes have been steadily added to fully diversify the portfolio. Using a sophisticated asset allocation typical of much larger institutions has helped the UW Foundation holdings to be more secure and not as tied to the ups and downs of the equity and bond markets.

As of June 30, 2005, the Foundation employed 24 different money managers in the asset classes shown in the pie chart: Allocation of Assets. These managers are reviewed frequently, and assets are rebalanced to keep them in line with the target ranges for each asset class. Under the watchful eyes of the Foundation Board and Monticello Associates, the portfolio achieved an overall return during the last fiscal year of 8.47% compared to our policy index (50% S&P, 30% Lehman

SOURCE OF DOLLARS RECEIVED IN 2004–05

- Alumni: 30.28%
- Friends: 30.02%
- Foundations: 25.59%
- Corporations: 13.23%
- Other Organizations: 0.88%
DESIGNATION OF GIFTS RECEIVED IN 2004–05

- Unrestricted: 1.20%
- Public Service: 9.26%
- Physical Plant/Property: 5.03%
- Other Restricted: 3.13%
- Library: 4.26%
- Student Aid: 28.20%
- Faculty Staff & Research: 9.94%
- Academic Divisions: 22.13%
- Athletics: 16.85%
Brothers Aggregate, 10% Russell 2000, and 10% EAFE), which had a return of 7.65%.

During the many changes made in the UW Foundation investments over the past five years, one constant has remained—the constant influx of gifts from donors and State matching dollars. UW friends and alumni have distinguished themselves and made this historic campaign successful beyond any ever seen at the University of Wyoming before. Their committed giving has made UW the envy of many other schools and provided a bright future for our institution.

STATE MATCH

It seemed a big challenge in 2001 when the Wyoming State Legislature set aside $30 million in state matching funds for gifts of $50,000 or more to endowments, but it proved easy for UW donors. They breezed through that in half the time allotted. So the Legislature went back to the table and granted another $18 million for endowments and an additional $10 million for gifts to athletics facilities for $25,000 or more. Both of those funds have also been exhausted with the result that almost $204 million was raised during the five years of the campaign, including $146 million in private support and $58 million in state matching funds. Evidence of that incredible achievement is cropping up all over campus with new buildings and renovations under way, more students with scholarships, new endowed faculty positions, improved and enhanced programs, and the list goes on. Words can never adequately express the profound gratitude felt by the whole campus community for the generosity of the many donors and the Wyoming State Legislature who made these huge successes possible. The University of Wyoming, our children, and grandchildren will still be enjoying the benefits of the DISTINCTION campaign one hundred years from now, thanks to all of you!
EXCELLENCE IN ACADEMICS

Robert B. Berry Ecology Center
Established by Robert and Carol Berry to foster and enhance the ecology program.

Donald L. Blackstone, Jr. Excellence Fund in Geology
Established by Sarah, Mary, Andrew, and William Blackstone in memory of their father to enhance student opportunities in Geology and Geophysics.

Deborah Chastain Memorial Endowment in the Department of Anthropology
Established by Deborah Chastain to support the Department of Anthropology.

Frank R. and Marion C. Edwards, Jr. Family Endowment for the Visual Arts
Established by Frank R. Edwards, Jr. to support visual arts at UW.

John P. “Jack” Ellbogen Teaching and Learning Symposium Fund
Established by the John P. “Jack” Ellbogen Foundation to support excellence in preparing teacher candidates.

Helga Otto Haub School of Environment and Natural Resources
Established by Helga and Erivan Haub to support the School of Environment and Natural Resources.

Curt E. Kaiser Endowment
Established by the Estate of Curt E. Kaiser, Jr. to support ethics education in the Department of Philosophy.

Maxfield Family Distinguished Speaker Fund in the College of Law
Established by Peter, Karen, Tom and Michele Maxfield to foster excellence in the College of Law.

Jean F. Messer Memorial Excellence Fund in Accounting
Established by an Anonymous Donor in Memory of Jean F. Messer to support the Accounting Department in the College of Business.

W. Richard and Barbara Andrau Powell Wildlife/Livestock Disease Training Fund
Established by W. Richard and Barbara Andrau Powell to support the study of wildlife/livestock disease research.

Thea Stidum Excellence Fund in Counselor Education
Established by Thea Stidum to support the Department of Counselor Education.

Philip and Liliana Treick Business Excellence Fund
Established by Philip and Liliana Treick to support excellence in the College of Business.

Vosika Excellence Fund for Early Childhood Education
Established by Linda and Ron Vosika to support early childhood education at UW and in Wyoming.

David and Jade Walsh Excellence Fund
Established by David and Jade Walsh to support the mission of the William D. Ruckelshaus Institute of Environment and Natural Resources.

FACULTY SUPPORT

Ellbogen Center for Teaching and Learning Fund
Established by the John P. “Jack” Ellbogen Foundation to support the New Faculty Book Tote Project.

Extraordinary Merit Awards for College of Arts and Sciences Faculty
Established by an Anonymous Donor to support deserving faculty for extraordinary merit.

Theodore O. and Dorothy S. King Endowed Professorship (Pharmacy)
Established by Theodore O. and Dorothy S. King to support faculty in the School of Pharmacy.

Everett D. and Elizabeth M. Lantz Distinguished Professorship in Education
Established by Phillip E. Lantz in honor of his parents to support an outstanding scholar and teacher.

General Samuel C. Phillips Engineering Endowment
Established by the Phillips Family in memory of General Samuel C. Phillips to enhance and support faculty and instruction.

WHAT IS AN ENDOWMENT?

An endowment is an investment in which the principal is never used. Only a portion of the annual income generated is used for specific programs or, if left unrestricted, for addressing UW’s immediate and most critical needs.
SERVICE TO WYOMING

Lisa Lewis Dubois Student Exhibition Award
Established by Maggi and Nick Murdock to support the UW Art Museum Annual Juried Student Exhibition.

Robert M. and Judith Redd Knight Endowment for Collection Conservation and Acquisition
Established by Robert M. and Judith Redd Knight to support collections at the UW Art Museum.

McMurry-Spieles Endowment for Library Excellence
Established by Carol McMurry and Patrick Spieles to support excellence in the UW Libraries.

STUDENT SUPPORT

Richard and Linda Barker
U.S. Marine Corps Officer Scholarship
To be established by Richard and Linda Barker’s Estate to support students seeking a commission in the Marines.

Amy Wroe Bechtel Scholarship
Established by JoAnne Wroe in memory of her daughter to support female students who participate in track.

Bryan and Evelyn Brodersen Family Excellence Fund in Art
Established by Charles B. and Evelyn W. Brodersen in memory of Loleete J. Brodersen to support students and student activities.

Bryan and Evelyn Brodersen Family Excellence Fund in Music
Established by Charles B. and Evelyn W. Brodersen in memory of Loleete J. Brodersen to support students and student activities.

Joan P. Capps Scholarship
Established by the Joan P. Capps Estate to support minority women in mathematics or science.

Joel Coffey Memorial Engineering Scholarship
Established by the Coffey/Lamb Families to support Juniors and Seniors with promise in Engineering.

Daniel W. Coughlin Scholarship
Established by Mary C. Miner in memory of her cousin, Daniel W. Coughlin, to support students in pre-law.

Dr. Ralph A. Eastwood Scholarship
Established by Dr. Ann B. Eastwood in memory of her husband to support students from Platte County.

Steve Elliott Scholarship in Communication Disorders
Established by Paul Lerwick in honor of Steve Elliott to support students in the Division of Communication Disorders.

Edna Furness Memorial Graduate Scholarship
Established by Edna Furness to support students in the Graduate School.

Hines Family Scholarship
Established by the Hines Family to support students in the College of Agriculture.

Paul and Sandy Hoffman Family Scholarship in Business
Established by Paul and Sandy Hoffman to support students in the College of Business.

Suzanne P. Hoffman Scholarship Fund
Established by Paul B. and Sandy J. Hoffman in memory of Suzanne P. Hoffman to support students in the College of Education.

James A. and Linda M. King Scholarship
Established by James A. and Linda M. King to support students in Engineering.

Orla V. Lamb Memorial Education Scholarship
Established by the Coffey/Lamb Families to support Juniors and Seniors with promise in Education.

Latin-American Club of Laramie, Inc. Scholarship
Established by the Latin-American Club of Laramie, Inc. to support UW students.

Robert N. and Jacqueline A. Maloney Scholarship in Education
Established by Robert N. and Jacqueline A. Maloney to support students in the College of Education.

Susan McCormack Scholarship
Established by Wayman C. Wing and other contributors in honor of Susan McCormack to support sophomores who were Outstanding Freshmen in Engineering.

Maurice and Alma McElhone Symphony Scholarship
Established by Nora Ivers in memory of Maurice and Alma McElhone to support students in the UW Symphony.

Mary C. Miner Scholarship in Liberal Arts
Established by Mary C. Miner to support students in the liberal arts.

William E. Morgan Graduate Award
Established by Robert Godby and Anne Alexander to support graduate students in Economics and Finance.

Mueller-Hanson Scholarship in German
Established by Henrietta, Christopher, and Richard Kirk Mueller, and Klaus Hanson to support students studying German.

Max and Ernestine Murray Memorial Engineering Scholarship
Established by Scott and Stephen Murray in memory of their parents to support students in the College of Engineering.
Keiji G. and Shirley S. Okano Memorial Scholarship in Business
Established by Kathryn G. and Daniel M. Blaney, III in memory of Keiji G. and Shirley S. Okano to support upper division students in Business.

Keiji G. and Shirley S. Okano Memorial Scholarship in Education
Established by Kathryn G. and Daniel M. Blaney, III in memory of Keiji G. and Shirley S. Okano to support upper division students in Education.

Jerry and Joan Record Business Scholarship
Established by Jerry and Joan Record to support students in Business.

Reeves Family Scholarship
Established by Paul B. and Sandy J. Hoffman to support students in the College of Education.

Lindsey Reinhart Memorial Pharmacy Scholarship
Established by Corey and Desiree Hill and Jonathan Chapman in her memory to support students in the School of Pharmacy.

Noreen Ring Veterinary Scholarship
Established by Donal O’Toole to support students in pre-veterinary or microbiology majors.

Lester and Iola Roberts Scholarship
Established by Lester and Iola Roberts to support students at UW.

Robert I. Russin Fund for Excellence in Figurative Sculpture
Established by Robert I. Russin to encourage the study and practice of sculpture of the human figure.

Amanda and Oscar Schmale Scholarship
Established by the estate of Amanda Schmale to support students in the College of Agriculture.

Seneca Graduate Assistantship
Established by Ron and Lynne Pulley to support graduate students in Animal Sciences.

Bob and Carol Sharp Athletics Scholarship
Established by Bob and Carol Sharp to support UW student-athletes.

Peter E. Skinner Scholarship
Established by Nicholas Skinner in memory of his brother to support students in the Math Department.

Frederick W. and Clara R. Toppan Scholarship Fund
Established by Clara Toppan to support students in the College of Business.

Clay Unger Endowed Health Sciences Scholarship
Established by Clay Unger to support students in the College of Health Sciences.

UW Golf Travel and Expense Endowment
Established by an Anonymous Donor to support the UW Men’s Golf Team.

UW/CC Student Leadership Scholarship
Established by friends of the Casper College Center to promote student excellence and leadership.

Albert H. and Betty L. Watenpaugh Scholarship
Established by Dr. Albert H. and Betty L. Watenpaugh to support transfer students from Sheridan College and LCCC.

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SAMPLE OF COLLEGE PRIORITY AREAS

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Energy, natural resources, and earth sciences; biological sciences, ecology, physiology; Distinguished Speakers Series (Milward L. Simpson Lecture; creative writing); study abroad; Fine Arts facilities

Business
Business ethics; entrepreneurship and new ventures; environment and natural resources; facilities improvements and expansion

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Science education and early childhood; education faculty support; College of Education Classroom Building; study abroad

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College-wide faculty support; moot courtroom expansion and renovation; student scholarships

STUDENTS
Achievement of a quality higher education costs more than just the price of tuition. Private support provides access to college for those with significant financial need and allows students to focus on their studies without the fear of long-term debt. It helps the university compete effectively for the highest caliber of graduate students. Contributions expand students' learning experiences through internships and study-abroad opportunities.

EXCELLENCE FUNDS
Excellence funds, such as the Annual Fund, allow a college or program to invest in initiatives where the need is greatest and the success is likeliest. The availability of excellence funds, both endowed and expendable, enable a dean, department head, or program director to respond quickly to emerging opportunities. Students, faculty, programs, and facilities are examples of potential beneficiaries of these funds.

FACULTY SUPPORT
Private support enhances the University of Wyoming's ability to attract and retain prominent faculty, whose research advances their students to the newest frontiers of human knowledge. Each college desires to create and maintain the most talented and inspiring faculty to its already established areas of distinction. The beneficiaries of these gifts are ultimately our students and citizens.

FACILITIES
More than $100 million of capital facility projects are currently on track. These new developments will transform the campus and are guided by the 2002–2007 Capital Facilities Plan. Several exciting projects are on the horizon—the remodeling of the College of Education Classroom Building has started, expansion and renovation of the moot courtroom in the College of Law is designed, studies are underway for dramatic modifications to the Fine Arts Center in the College of Arts and Sciences and for improving and expanding the College of Business. Come to campus to see the changes first hand.

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As Wyoming's university, a focus on the issues facing Wyoming's citizens is a priority. Colleges and program areas at the University of Wyoming are working with state government, local communities, and citizens on issues such as economic development, health care, energy, natural resources,
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MORE INFORMATION

Each area on campus has unique opportunities for you to make a difference in the lives of Wyoming students, faculty and citizens. For more details about a particular college or program area or to plan a visit, please refer to the contact information.

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