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Garvey’s recent gift qualifies for the WSU Faculty of Distinction program and is the fifth such professorship created since the WSU Foundation launched its “We Are Wichita State” campaign last July.

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“Business is very real, very important and very fascinating. It’s underneath everything we do,” said Jean Garvey, widow of businessman and philanthropist Willard Garvey. “Enhancing the business history department was a productive, logical thing to do,” Garvey said of the endowed professorship she established in her husband’s name, “and I think it would please Willard.”

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“I have known the Garveys all my life,” said Miner. “Business history was Willard’s field. He believed the interest in the history of business was underrated — that we didn’t know enough about it. The endowed professorship will enhance the department by allowing us to hire at a more experienced level — someone who has a focus on business history, which would not have happened otherwise.”

Garvey believes it’s important for young people to get the kind of education offered by the endowed professorship.

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Support your community — whether through your business or personal interests. It’s with this philosophy that Roslyn and Wilson Cadman decided to create fellowships in the W. Frank Barton School of Business and the College of Fine Arts to advance the graduate student segment of the “We are Wichita State” campaign.

“It is a natural thing to do — to represent our primary interests and be involved in the community,” said Wilson.

During a career spanning more than 40 years at KG&E— from entry-level to CEO—Wilson led the successful planning and implementation of the Wolf Creek Nuclear Generating Station, the state’s first nuclear power plant. This fall, he will assist in documenting its 20th anniversary.

Wilson believes strongly in getting a good education to obtain the resources one needs to be successful. Although quoted in 1989 as saying, “No brilliance, just the right place at the right time,” when beginning his long history with KG&E, he says that he was at the right place to work where his interest rested. “I had three job offers, but I chose the one in which I had a personal attraction. So I was at the right place at the right time, but I had a choice and I chose to follow my main interest.”

Roslyn attended Wichita University for two years. She is a sustaining member of the Junior League of Wichita, and has served as a docent for the Wichita Art Museum, the Wichita Art Association and the Wichita Historical Museum. She has served on several local boards and volunteered many hours of her time.

The Cadmans value their ties with WSU as much as they do their business and community involvement.

“Through the GI bill, I had the opportunity to attend any university in the U.S.,” said Wilson, “but I selected Wichita University. It gave me all the information and tools I needed to join the workforce in my profession and become successful at it.”

“We have many fond memories of our time at the university,” continued Roslyn, “and through our continued involvement, we’re creating more.”
Dot and Harold Hauck attend many of the cultural events at WSU, within the community and across the United States. Their love of the arts blossomed into supporting the university through various gifts directed to the College of Fine Arts, as well as other areas. The most recent gifts are the Dorothy Johansen Hauck Endowed Faculty Fellow in Dance/Musical Theatre and the Harold Hauck Guest Choreographer Fund — both are exceptional gifts to the “We are Wichita State” campaign.

Their priority is to help the College of Fine Arts fulfill its needs — in any area. “You want good, strong faculty to attract more students and to meet the needs of current ones,” explained Harold.

Dot is a member of WSU’s Society of 1895, supporting men’s basketball and fine arts through her planned giving commitment. Harold gives his time and talent as an active member of the Fine Arts Advisory Board. Both are Life Members of the Alumni Association and President’s Club Life Members.

Harold, a retired public school administrator in four school districts over 37 years, believes strongly in the schools’ extra-curricular activities, including the arts and athletics. He concludes that his own experience as a high school and university basketball player helped support and enrich his education.

Examples of how the arts play a major role in the Haucks’ lives include being Music Theatre and Stage One season-ticket holders, and members of the Ulrich Museum, the Wichita Center for the Arts, and the Wichita Art Museum.

They also look for unique ways to enhance their fine arts experiences such as attending a Shakespearean Festival in Ashland, Ore. They watched three plays during one week and were taken backstage to learn about costuming and set design. The Haucks enjoy ballroom dancing and big-band dance cruises. Four years ago they attended a week-long ballroom dance camp in Vermont where they danced six hours a day.

“We enjoy the fine arts at WSU and want to support them for the entertainment they give us,” said Dot.

We are Wichita State passes $9 million mark

The university’s campaign to bolster financial aid for undergraduates, graduate students and faculty has passed the $9 million mark! Among the many fellowships, assistantships and professorships, this also includes at least 30 more endowed scholarships than we had last year at this time.

“We are excited about reaching this milestone of $9 million along the way of this great endeavor,” said campaign chair True Knowles, ’60, chairman of NutraSweet. “It shows again that we agree the investment of the university’s future is in the people.”

To speak with a development officer about how you can proclaim, “We are Wichita State,” please call the WSU Foundation at (316) 978-3040.

Visit www.wichita.edu/wearewsu for campaign updates and features
Thanks to gifts from Dr. Paul and Carolyn Harrison and Preferred Health Systems, the SimMan family is growing in the College of Health Professions. The family even has its own home — Simulation Laboratory, where they live and breathe.

These gifts allowed for the second SimMan, a simulated human, to be purchased. The college purchased the first last summer to help train future health-care professionals.

“The second SimMan encourages a more helpful setting to train students in as real an environment as possible,” said Rick Muma, associate professor and chair of the physician assistant program.

The two SimMan mannequins will soon be shared with nearly all disciplines in the college from the nursing and physician assistant programs, to physical therapy and medical technology.

“It’s so exciting to partner with Preferred Health Systems,” said Carolyn. “Now we need to let our students and parents know about the state-of-the-art equipment available at WSU.”

“With some donations, it’s a one-time opportunity or it takes time to make a difference,” added Paul, “but this can immediately be put to good use and it will be there for students for a long time.”

SimMan breathes, speaks, has heart and bowel sounds, and pulses that can be felt. He responds to CPR or being shocked with defibrillators — all dependent on the case scenario computer programmed into him by WSU’s health professions faculty. In addition, students’ responses to his care can be recorded, then reviewed and learned from later.

Marlon Dauner, CEO for Preferred Health Systems, explained that they hadn’t had a lot of past involvement with WSU’s physician assistant and nursing areas and wanted to change that. Juanita Tate, chair of the School of Nursing and associate dean of the College of Health Professions, and Peter A. Cohen, dean and professor of the College of Health Professions, came up with an opportunity directly relating to training students – the SimMan. This was a perfect fit.

“We associate this involvement directly with our interest in making sure our members have access to quality providers once they graduate from WSU,” said Dauner. “It’s an important gap to fill within this community.

Muma hopes the next addition will be a SimBaby. He said it is even more difficult to get appropriate training on and for children.

“With more capabilities to train students, they now have the opportunity to see the full spectrum of the patient’s history, symptoms and care,” said Muma.

Kelly Callen receives Board of Trustees Award

Kelly Callen, center, receives the Board of Trustees Award from board chair Joan Beren, left, and WSU President Don Beggs at the 2005 Fairmount Society Dinner. Callen was honored for her significant contributions to the vital and rewarding partnership that exists between the campus and the community. She is co-owner of Edmiston Oil Co. and an active volunteer in Wichita.

“I came from a family where it was not if you give back to the community, but when will you do it.”
“Our goal is to preserve the traditional beauty of liturgical and classical music by helping to assure that organists receive the optimal training needed to play these magnificent instruments,” said Ann Ross.

This desire prompted Wichitans, Dr. Dennis and Ann Ross, to endow a gift at the Faculty of Distinction level for the College of Fine Arts. The donation is in honor of Robert Town, longtime associate professor of organ in the School of Music, who will be retiring soon.

The Dennis and Ann Ross Faculty of Distinction Endowed Professorship in Organ will provide funding to hire a renowned professor to head the WSU organ program upon Town’s retirement.

“This is one of the most important gifts the college has ever received,” said Rodney Miller, dean of the College of Fine Arts. “With this gift, WSU’s Marcussen Organ, one of the finest in the country if not the world, will be utilized to its fullest potential in preparing exceptional organ professionals for the future.”

“Like a violin in the hands of a master, the organ can only produce beautiful music when played by a professional organist. The number of such talented individuals has declined nationwide in recent years,” said Ann.

“It’s also like having another person helping you sing,” added Dennis.

“There’s such a correlation between pipe organs and humans. The sound of the pipe organ isn’t perfect and neither is the sound of the human voice.

However, the pipe organ mimics the sounds we produce, making the music more personal.”

The Rosses studied the influence of Bach, and even traveled to Europe to visit the churches in which Bach performed. All of his compositions were written for the glory of God, and many of them were performed on the organ with a church choir.

The Ross’ commitment to preserving this rich musical heritage for future generations has been the basis for several of their charitable contributions. They donated a Beckerath organ to their home church, Holy Cross Lutheran in Wichita, and to Dennis’ childhood church, United Methodist of Aurora, Neb., in honor of his parents.

The Rosses are confident their gift will help assure there will be organists in the future to perpetuate the long tradition of magnificent liturgical church music that has become so important in their lives.

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Memorials

New memorials were established in honor of these deceased friends of Wichita State through the WSU Foundation between March 1 and June 30, 2005. To contribute, please call the Planned Giving Office, (316) 978-3809, toll-free (888) 316-2586, or e-mail mike.lamb@wichita.edu.

Leo E. Ashcraft Jr. – ’48, ’53
Grace Lewis
Linda Diane Nunemaker
Richard L. Stauffer
Martha G. Wittenbach – ’67, ’75
Because of the leadership of Howard and Rose Marcus and more than 150 others whose names are on pillars, offices, lobbies, meeting rooms and other spaces, WSU now has a place to put its best foot forward for prospective students, their parents, alumni, and members of the community.

“This building has at its core the same mission as our entire university — serving current and prospective students, meeting their needs, and making them feel welcome,” said Dr. Elizabeth King, vice president of university advancement and executive director for the WSU Foundation.

Recognizing Betty Graham

Betty C. Graham, wife of the late Bill Graham, was a co-trustee of the William L. Graham Charitable Trust, which funds the William L. Graham Scholarship and the Marjorie Lois Graham Scholarship. Both have helped hundreds of students grow their educational dreams. Betty Graham passed away May 25, 2005.

The trust was established in 1981. Bill Graham’s scholarship focuses on supporting higher education for sophomores, juniors or seniors. Marjorie Graham’s scholarship was established in 1999 for juniors or seniors enrolled full or part-time at WSU in the College of Fine Arts.

Though Betty Graham was a WSU Fairmount Society Lifetime Achievement member and a member of the President’s Club, she was a very private person and preferred to stay out of the public’s eye.

“Betty took the administration of the trust very seriously and always tried to remain within the general guidelines of Bill’s wishes, as she understood them,” said Pat Coyer, co-trustee. “She was pleased with the relationship she had with Wichita State University, as am I, and we look forward to working with the foundation in the future.”
The Certificate of Incorporation of the WSU Endowment Association was filed for $27.50 in the office of the Secretary of State Paul R. Shanahan of the State of Kansas. Its mission has stayed solid and consistent according to the articles of incorporation: “...support the educational undertakings of WSU and all related or beneficial activities...”

On July 8, 1965, 32 people sat in the Kansas Gas and Electric Company hospitality room to call the first meeting to order. The first slate of officers was Dwane L. Wallace, president; Olive W. Garvey, first vice president; Dr. Woodrow M. Campion, second vice president; Carl K. Suderman, third vice president; Gordon W. Evans, secretary; and Arthur W. Kincade, treasurer.

Today the foundation is led by the National Advisory Council with Barry Schwan serving as the 2004-2006 chair of its board of directors. The former WSU student is president of the House of Schwan. As NAC chair, Schwan is the head of the 21-member board of directors and the six-member executive committee.

The foundation has grown from $0 to $112,595,905 over the last 40 years.

Since 1993, it has more than doubled in size. The main reasons for the name change to WSU Foundation in July 2000, were to eliminate the connotation of securing only endowed gifts and to more accurately describe where the donations are dispersed.

Working to assure a university of excellence — WSU supporters continue the tradition of managing resources to enable students and faculty to excel.

Heirloom tea set, WSU history are poured together

John Hyde, an emeritus professor of history from Williams College in Massachusetts, donated an heirloom silver tea and coffee set to First Lady Shirley Beggs and President Don Beggs. Hyde is the grandson of Mentholatum founder and Fairmount College trustee A.A. Hyde. The set once belonged to the family of George Strong, who helped establish Fairmount College.
The WSU Foundation recently announced the hiring of four new staff members.

Terre Johnson returns to WSU as associate vice president for development for the foundation. He served as a director of development for the WSU Endowment Association from Jan. 1990 through Oct. 1993. Most recently, Johnson was the chief development officer-vice president for the Via Christi Foundation.

Johnson received a bachelor of science degree in journalism, news and editorial from the University of Kansas.

“Terre brings to us valuable experience in both higher education fund raising and nonprofit fund raising,” said Dr. Elizabeth King, WSU Foundation executive director and WSU university advancement vice president. “He knows our community well.”

Belinda Venters joins the staff as communications coordinator.

Most recently, Venters was communications director for Youthville. In addition, she has worked in the communications field for Big Brothers Big Sisters of Sedgwick County, the Wichita Symphony and Heartspring.

Venters received a bachelor of arts degree in journalism from WSU.

“Belinda is an experienced communications professional, and we are excited to have her join the effort toward furthering our mission,” said Michael Lamb, WSU Foundation associate vice president for planned giving and development services.

April Dumler accepted the position of office assistant and will support Michele Renberger, director of the National Advisory Council, and Karen Veronica Berry, director of development for NIAR and graduate education research administration.

Kyle Tuttle recently joined the staff as receptionist for the Foundation and Alumni Association.

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