

## **Top Accomplishments at Oregon University System Campuses 2003-04**

### **Eastern Oregon University**

- Welcomed its 10th President, Khosrow Fatemi, in May 2004
- Celebrated its 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary, and 25 years as a distance education leader in the state and nation
- Ranked #2 in the nation for quality and value in *Consumer Digest*
- EOU and Portland General Electric Corporate University were awarded the 2004 Business Education Compact Higher Education Achievement Award, recognizing their ongoing, productive partnership to increase student achievement, enhance applied learning and prepare Oregon's workforce
- Signed international agreements with Montpellier Graduate School of Management in France, and Universidad Automoma del Sur in Chile

### **Oregon Institute of Technology**

- The Hustlin' Owls won the NAIA Division II National Basketball Title and the tournament Sportsmanship Award
- Hosted the 2004 American Civil Engineers Pacific Northwest Regional Student Conference taking first place in two engineering competitions and ending second overall
- Two OIT professors were awarded Intel Oregon – OUS Engineering and Computer Science Curriculum Fellowships
- Senior Brian Mason was one of 12 recipients of the 2004 Morris K. Udall Native American Congressional Summer Internship
- John W. Lund, professor emeritus of Civil Engineering and Director of the Geo-Heat Center, was named President of the International Geothermal Association, a 65-country member UN-affiliated organization that will host the 2005 World Geothermal Congress in Turkey

### **Oregon State University**

- Welcomed its 14th President, Edward Ray, in August 2003
- Faculty exceeded by \$20 million the university's record for attracting research funds, bringing in \$177 million
- A record enrollment of 19,000 students was reached in fall 2003-04
- New construction enhanced campus facilities including: \$20 million expansion of Dixon Recreation Center; \$19 million renovation of Weatherford Hall; plus ground-breaking on the Kelley Engineering Center, and expansion of Magruder Hall and Reser Stadium
- After a two-year campus-wide effort entailing hundreds of volunteers, OSU adopted a new strategic plan to guide its curricular, research, and fundraising efforts

### **Portland State University**

- Alumnus Fariborz Masseeh contributed \$8 million to the College of Engineering and Computer Science, PSU's largest donation to-date
- Jun Jiao, assistant professor of physics and co-director of PSU's Center for Nanoscience and Nanotechnology, was awarded a \$400,000 National Science Foundation Career Award to support research into carbon nanotubes
- Several facilities' milestones marked the year: the dedication of the Native American Student and Community Center; the opening of the "green" Epler Hall; completion of the Student Health and Counseling Center; and began construction of the NW Center of Engineering, Science, and Technology, among other milestones
- Gained approval for a BA/BS in Black Studies; and an MS in Materials Science and Engineering
- Had a record number of graduates for 2003-04 of 4,300

### ***Southern Oregon University***

- The State Board of Higher Education unanimously approved SOU's request to name the University Library "The Lenn and Dixie Hannon Library" in recognition of the unusually meritorious contributions to Oregon made by Senator Lenn and Dixie Hannon; the groundbreaking ceremony took place in early March
- *The Raider*, SOU's admissions newsletter, and the University's Viewbook, took second place in the 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual CASE District VIII Juried Awards Competition, out of more than 400 entries
- Music Department faculty Todd Barton and Kirby Shaw won an American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers Award
- Business major Jason Meilicke received *The Wall Street Journal's* 2004 Student Achievement Award, which recognizes outstanding college students around the U.S.
- SOU alumnus Jason Kuhlman won the Disneyland Teacher Award

### ***University of Oregon***

- Associate professor of psychology, Michael Anderson, located a mechanism in the brain that blocks unwanted memories, the first time a researcher has shown a neurobiological basis for memory repression
- Charles H. Lundquist College of Business opened a new "green" building that is a monument to maximizing available resources
- Alumnus Dave Petrone and his wife Nancy contributed a \$2.5 million gift to provide students scholarships, new classrooms, and support other campus efforts
- Received a \$510,500 grant from the MJ Murdock Charitable Trust for the Center for Optics to reach new levels in their quest to manipulate light and matter at the atomic level
- Student Anna Cavender was named North America's 2004 Outstanding Female Undergraduate in Computer Science and Engineering by the Computing Research Association

### ***Western Oregon University***

- The College of Education celebrated 50 consecutive years of accreditation by the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education
- Co-sponsored a national summer conference on emerging best practices in teaching work samples with the American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education (AACTE) and the Education Commission of the States, representing a key endorsement of WOU
- The College of Education co-published *Connecting Teaching and Learning*, a handbook on teacher work sample methodology, with the AACTE and the Carnegie Corporation
- Faculty and staff were engaged in sponsored research and service projects totaling nearly \$8 million.
- Hosted the Central Western Oregon Science Exposition, one of the most rigorous student science and humanities meetings in the state, at which Oregon middle and high school students competed for prizes in science, technology, math, computer science and the humanities