A gift from Janice (Nursing, ’80) and Alton Granger (Engineering, ’54) will benefit the College of Nursing and the College of Engineering at MSU. The Grangers’ $1 million gift was split in half between both colleges to provide exciting new opportunities for undergraduate students.

The College of Nursing plans to use the gift for a Demo Lab for student learning. The college’s need for more space has been documented in innumerable ways. Existing space has been measured and reconfigured over and over, and negotiations for additional space have been in progress for years. The Grangers’ gift enables the college to move ahead in the renovation of newly acquired space in the Life Sciences Building to provide an updated and modernized Demo Lab. This will greatly enhance students’ learning of nursing skills before they actually provide care to patients. The lab will be configured for optimal faculty assistance of student learning with maximum flexibility to allow for future conversion as needed, for example, to create learning environments such as simulated critical care or home care settings. The current design also includes space for videotaping students while they perform assigned skills for their review, critical assessment, and improvement.

The Granger gift to the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering in the College of Engineering is for construction of the Civil Infrastructure Laboratory. This laboratory will enable faculty and students to perform research on new and/or enhanced construction materials and structural systems. Construction of the new laboratory will free-up space in an existing laboratory that is used both for teaching and research. The area recovered in the existing laboratory will provide much needed space for undergraduate civil engineering materials laboratory classes.

President McPherson presents the Kedzie Society memento to Alton and Jan Granger.

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Gift Benefits Nursing And Engineering

Hotchkiss Supports New Science Facility

What do a sports franchise owner, an Officer of the Order of Canada, an investor, and a successful businessman have in common? In this case, they’re all the same person.

Harley Hotchkiss is his name, and he is a man who is proud of MSU. He is also a man that MSU is proud to call one of its own.

Hotchkiss (Geology with high honors, ’51) is the president and owner of Spartan Resources Ltd., of Calgary, Alberta, Canada, a company investing in oil and gas, real estate, agriculture, and professional sports. Since 1980 he has been part owner of the Calgary Flames of the National Hockey League, is now in his third term as Chairman of the Board of Governors of the National Hockey League, and serves as a Director of the Hockey Hall of Fame.

He has shown through volunteerism and generous gifts over the past 30 years that he cares deeply about MSU. And now he has given a hall-of-fame type gift: $1 million for the Biomedical and Physical Sciences facility under construction on campus. What is it about MSU that motivates a successful businessman to give such a significant gift? “What I like best about MSU is the way it continues to grow and maintain its world-class status,” Hotchkiss said.

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To Honor Their Parents

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o thank their parents for the sacrifices they made in supporting their children’s educational pursuits at Michigan State University, the brother and sister team of Michael Stein and Dr. Susan Stein Morrison have established an endowed scholarship at the Honors College in memory of their parents, Hymen and Miriam Stein.

“Our parents benefited from the bountiful opportunities available in America. They believed in the joy of giving, especially when that giving created opportunities for others. Their legacy will be carried in perpetuity by the MSU students who will now receive the gift of opportunity,” stated Michael Stein in announcing the gift.

The Hymen and Miriam Stein Endowed Scholarship acknowledges the Steins’ long history as “Spartans,” including Miriam Stein’s paternal family’s educational association with Michigan State University. In addition, both Michael and Susan attended MSU, with Michael graduating from the Honors College and the College of Social Science and then attending Georgetown Law School, and Susan going on to earn a Doctor of Chiropractic degree.

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Hotchkiss Gift

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President Peter McPherson explained why it makes sense that Hotchkiss would see the Biomedical and Physical Sciences facility as a deserving designation for his generosity. “It exemplifies MSU’s efforts to remain an excellent research institution,” he said. “This facility will ultimately lead to innovations and greater scientific collaboration, and Michigan State University is proud to have a distinguished alumnus such as Harley Hotchkiss take a leadership role in supporting this endeavor.”

Hotchkiss, who served as a valuable member of the MSU Foundation Board of Directors for eight years, says he misses the opportunity that commitment afforded him to visit campus several times each year. Though his visits have been less frequent of late, his interest in MSU has not waned. “My education has served me well throughout my business career,” Hotchkiss said. “I am pleased to have the opportunity to support my college in their new research facility.”

Hotchkiss has accomplished much in his career, and he has the honors to show for it. He has been the recipient of the MSU College of Natural Science Outstanding Alumni Award, the MSU Distinguished Hockey Alumnus Award, and the Jack Breslin Lifetime Achievement Award. Among other honors and achievements in his homeland, he also received Canada’s highest civilian honor when he was named an Officer of the Order of Canada in 1997.

“I believe it is important in life to remember who helped you along the way,” Hotchkiss remarked. “Michigan State University helped me at an important time in my life, and I feel privileged to have this way of saying thank you.”

The Biomedical and Physical Sciences building is a 350,000 square foot, $93 million facility slated for completion in early 2002. MSU is responsible for raising $13 million of the total cost. To date, alumni and corporations have pledged $10.7 million toward this facility, contact Lucille Fallon, campaign director, at (517) 355-8257 or (800) 232-4678.

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Siblings Find Unique Way To Honor Their Parents

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Wenstrom Thanks MSU For Scientific Research

At 32-years-old, Paul Wenstrom heard a word regarding his health that he never expected to hear: cancer. Fortunately, devastating news for a man of any age, testicular cancer was diagnosed and there were tumors in both of his lungs.

At the time, Wenstrom (Finance, ‘71) was ten years into his career with Merrill Lynch. He was treated with the cancer-fighting drug Cisplatin which saved his life. Cisplatin was discovered at MSU in 1968, ironically during the time that Wenstrom was a student.

“Cisplatin saved my life,” Wenstrom said. “Now my goal is to help ensure a university of opportunity for me and my children that was the university of opportunity for me.”

To that end, Wenstrom has pledged $65,000 toward the Biomedical and Physical Sciences facility now under construction on campus. The building will contain an entire floor devoted to cancer research, a mission obviously close to his heart, and his gift will help with its completion.

“I hope my pledge serves as a springboard for others, who have benefited from MSU, to give,” he said. “I know that our financial support will be magnified through the future research to be conducted in the new science building. The results will come back to us in very tangible ways.”

Wenstrom is now in his thirtieth year with Merrill Lynch and is the Resident Manager of its Flint office. He is active in the Flint area as President of the YMCA Foundation, Vice Chairman of the Board of the Mott Children’s Health Center, and past president of the Flint Rotary Club.

Paul Wenstrom’s successful career, family life with wife Jan, and enjoyment of his children as well as his community would not have been possible without the scientific research conducted at MSU. “I’m thankful,” he said, “and I hope to turn that appreciation into more funds flowing to the greater health mission of MSU, specifically research to be done in MSU’s new Biomedical and Physical Sciences Building.”

“All U” Campaign Raises Over $1 Million

The success of the 2000 All University Campaign is unprecedented! The campaign generated $1,163,600 in new gifts and pledges from 466 faculty, staff and retirees—a 112% increase in revenue over last year’s campaign. The generosity and commitment of MSU employees is illustrated further by the 81 new special or major gift level commitments from participants—these pledges of a minimum of $10,000 to MSU made up slightly more than 90% of the gift and pledge dollars secured during the “All U” campaign.

Events highlighted both the opening and closing of the campaign. The kickoff was held at Cowles House on April 12. This event, held in the warm atmosphere of the president’s residence, was attended by enthusiastic faculty, staff and retiree campaign volunteers, special and major donors, and university administrators. President and Mrs. McPherson personally welcomed approximately 170 guests in celebration of the beginning of the 2000 campaign.

The closing campaign celebration was held at Wharton Center in early June. The MSU Federal Credit Union-sponsored event drew a crowd of 600 guests in celebration of giving and the MSU community. Those who attended were treated to an afternoon of Dairy Store ice cream, cookies, and great music from the staff band Borderline. The crowd cheered on employee teams from 17 colleges and units, all competing in a relay race and ice cream “scoop-off.” Prizes from Kellogg Biological Station, the Tree Research Center, the credit union, and various local businesses were given away to lucky winners.

Executive Development Center To Open In Spring

A strong commitment to excellence in executive education and an overall goal of breaking into the ranks of America’s top 20 MBA programs spurred The Eli Broad College of Business and The Broad Graduate School of Management to build a new Executive Development Center (EDC) at University Park. Ground was broken on January 13, 2000. The center will open next spring, with the first program scheduled for May 2001.

“The EDC has been established with the goal of being the nation’s premier facility for executive educational programs,” said James B. Henry, Dean of the Broad School. “The center has been specifically designed to provide a world class educational experience, using the latest educational technologies and environmental designs.”
Annual “Appreciation” Events Get Better Each Year

The University cannot say “thank you” enough to those donors and friends who provide financial support for our students, faculty, programs and physical growth. But two annual events provide great opportunities to do so.

On a Thursday evening in early June, fifty guests gathered at the lovely Northville home of Andre and Nancy Blay for an evening with President Peter and Mrs. Joanne McPherson. This was the second annual event in a private home bringing together Detroit-area alumni and friends who have made gifts to MSU of $100,000 or more. The Blays greeted their guests at the front door and directed them to their winding back porch and patio for conversation, refreshments and music. Dinner was served from the pool house, with diners then seating themselves under a tent tucked under the dense trees separating the Blay gardens from the adjacent golf course. President McPherson briefly addressed the group as the sun dimmed and the greens grew still. “You have done a remarkable job of supporting the university and getting the word out in the Detroit area that MSU is a great university,” said the president. He thanked the Blays for their hospitality, to which Mr. Blay responded that he and his wife “always feel it is important to help MSU whenever the opportunity arises.”

The President and Mrs. McPherson’s 4th Annual Northern Michigan “swing” included a very special reception and dinner on Thursday evening, August 24. The location was La Becasse, an intimate Burdickville dining establishment located on the south shore of Glen Lake in Leelanau County. MSU alumni John and Peachy Rentenbach are the owners, offering their guests the French country cooking and select wines that caused Gourmet magazine to rank La Becasse among the five finest restaurants in the state. President McPherson spoke after dinner to over 50 guests gathered for this exclusive evening for donors to the university. “Joanne and I like to come up north each summer,” he said, “not only to visit a great part of our state, but to tell our many alumni and friends ‘thank you’ for their years of support.” This noteworthy event was just one part of the president’s two-day agenda in the Traverse City area that also included a reception with graduates of MSU’s Landscape Architecture Program, a meeting with high school students interested in MSU, and a keynote presentation to the Economic Club of Traverse City. This “swing” of activities will continue in the future, highlighting the unique places, superb cuisines, and wonderful friends that make Northern Michigan a terrific summertime destination.

Wonders Hall Students Watch Their Investment Grow... Literally

The new millennium holds many “firsts” including the addition of a commemorative tree in front of Wonders Hall. This planting of a Katsura tree was the vision of two students, Jeff Dunfee and Amy Boline Peterson, who attended the February 2000 world premiere of Symphony No. 4, The Gardens. Ellen Taaffe Zwilich composed this symphony, inspired by the beauty of Michigan State University’s gardens and campus.

During President McPherson’s comments preceding the premiere, Jeff and Amy learned about Campus Beautification—Planting Tomorrow’s Heritage. Today, an effort to plant an additional 1,800 trees on south campus. Amy and Jeff are former residents of Wonders Hall and felt that a new tree would be a great addition to south campus. The goal was to raise $2 from each resident so $2,000 could be raised (in the year 2000) for the planting. (Commemorative trees are now $2,500, but a reduced amount was given for this student-driven effort.) Jeff even wrote a poem, which was used on flyers cut out in the shape of trees and given to residents.

Residents, staff and Wonders Hall’s student government all contributed toward the $2,000 gift. The tree was planted in the afternoon on Arbor Day, April 28th. Over 50 people attended the tree planting and Jeff and Amy hung the commemorative plaque on this very special tree. This effort reminds us that all gifts, no matter what their size, can make a difference. Residents and staff of Wonders Hall will be able to return to campus for years to come and see their tree.

For more information about Campus Beautification—Planting Tomorrow’s Heritage or the commemorative tree program, contact Campus Park and Planning at (517) 355-9582.
Marking the 5th straight year of record-setting growth, donors contributed over $121 million in cash and planned gifts to Michigan State University, with cash gifts breaking the $100 million mark for the first time ever. Cash gifts increased by $25.8 million to a record $100.3 million, an increase of more than 34% over last year, and a remarkable 100% increase over the last 6 years.

"Individuals, corporations and foundations continue to recognize the value of investing in Michigan State University," commented MSU President Peter McPherson. "These results show the importance of a strong partnership between our donors and the university," continued McPherson.

MSU received a total of nearly 73,000 gifts during the last fiscal year. The number of individual donors to the university increased as well, with MSU adding more than 4,200 first-time donors. "These results are extremely encouraging," announced Chuck Webb, Vice President for University Development. "As we make preparations for the upcoming capital campaign, it is critical that we build a strong foundation of support among our individual, corporate and foundation friends. In addition, these record results would not have been possible without the continued hard work and support of the academic leadership and staff of each of the university’s colleges and programs. It’s a team effort, and I thank not only the president and provost, but the deans, faculty and staff as well, for all of their work.”

Several notable gifts and events also marked the last fiscal year at University Development. Brook Lodge, a gift of land and a conference center valued at over $7 million from the Pharmacia Corporation, was accepted and dedicated; the opening of the Mary Anne McPhail Equine Performance Center was celebrated; and The M. Peter and Joanne M. McPherson Endowed Professor for the Understanding of Science was established. A host of events and celebrations were enjoyed along the way to a Citrus Bowl.

1999-2000 Highlights

Cash and Planned Gifts up $17.2 million
Cash Gifts up 100% over the last 6 years
Endowed Chairs/Professorships grew to $93.6 million
Dear Donors,

It has been a year of notable achievements at Michigan State University—major research discoveries, national championships and awards, and outstanding community partnerships. These accomplishments are further enhanced by the fact that, once again, donors have supported MSU at levels unprecedented in our 145-year history.

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victory and the NCAA basketball national championship. This last fiscal year also saw the announcement of three new presidential giving societies designed to recognize significant contributors to MSU. “We saw a need to revise and expand our recognition societies designed to recognize significant contributors to MSU. “We saw a need to revise and expand our recognition.”

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"Planned gifts represent an enormous growth opportunity for this university," continued Heil. “With the tremendous accumulation of wealth that has occurred over the past two decades, these types of gifts are becoming an increasingly popular way for our donors to remember MSU.”

“This year, we began the critical planning phase of our next capital campaign,” Webb said. “The level of support this year shows the loyalty of our Spartan family. With outstanding results like this, I am already eagerly looking forward to a successful campaign effort.”

Peter McPherson
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SU's sixteen colleges and units each have their own fund raising programs and priorities. Development officers report both to the dean of the college and to the director of University Development. They use the administrative services and resources of the central office of University Development to further their college programs. Income from private sources is reported by college as well as combined for an all-university total.

College of Agriculture and Natural Resources

In 1999-2000, the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources development and alumni offices merged to form the CANR Externals Relations Office. In addition, the team welcomed a new CANR information officer. Acting Dean William Taylor met with alumni, friends and commodity group leaders throughout the year and hosted events on campus and across the country. This year was an active one for college events, including a reunion of the class of 1950, which resulted in the establishment of a scholarship for CANR students studying abroad.

1999-2000 was an exceptional year for private support for the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources. Some 3,863 gifts were received totaling over $6,169,600, with additional funds in shared accounts of $608,500 for college initiatives and a $600,000 scholarship for CANR/Honors College students. The college welcomed 404 new donors and 52 new donor society members. Planned giving also saw a 30 percent increase over the previous year with nearly $3 million in future commitments to the CANR.

College of Arts and Letters

In fiscal year 1999-2000, the College of Arts and Letters held special events for alumni and friends in East Lansing, Detroit, New York, Washington D.C. and Los Angeles. Several new scholarships and endowments were established in the college, including two scholarships in the Jewish Studies Program, with pledges and gifts totaling $600,000. Additionally, an anonymous donor established a significant endowed fund in the Department of Art. The Kresge Art Museum received a gift from an anonymous donor to establish the "Kresge Art Museum Facilities Fund." Yet another anonymous donor made the first gift to the "Center for Great Lakes Culture Endowed Fund." In 1999-2000 the college received gifts from 2,610 alumni, faculty, staff, students, friends, corporations and foundations, totaling nearly $2.5 million. The college’s endowment grew substantially with the market value of 90 endowed funds reaching $11,216,400. Among CAL donors, 34 joined MSU's giving societies.

The Eli Broad College of Business

The Eli Broad College of Business 1999-2000 highlighted included the opening of the $2.3 million Lear Corporation Career Services Center, named with a gift of $1 million from the Lear Corporation. In January, a ground-breaking ceremony was held for the new $16 million Executive Development Center. To date, $5.5 million has been raised.

The 1999-2000 fiscal year continued the strong record of fund raising for The Eli Broad College of Business. Private gifts, life income agreements, bequests and other planned gifts received in the 1999-2000 year totaled more than $13,100,000. The college received 30 major gifts of $50,000 or more, including three commitments of $1 million or more, 13 above $100,000 and 14 gifts of $50,000 or greater.

The college welcomed a record 177 new donor club members during the fiscal year, including: Frank S. Kedzie Society, five; MSU Benefactors, 20; John A. Hannah Society, 24; Beaumont Tower Society, 36; MSU Presidents Club, 87, and Presidents Club Associates, five.

College of Communication Arts and Sciences

The College of Communication Arts and Sciences continues to be a dynamic environment, committed to preparing students in cutting-edge technologies and timeless critical thinking. To this end, the college established several new scholarships during 1999-2000.

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Michigan State University-Detroit College of Law

Fund raising activities at Michigan State University-Detroit College of Law continued to generate increasing support during the 1999-2000 academic year. As the search for a new dean was undertaken, the MSU-DCL development and alumni relations staff continued to host a variety of activities, including the popular homecoming tailgate party, reunion events, the alumni reception at the Michigan Bar Association annual meeting, the golf outing, and the President’s Club Dinner at the Detroit Institute of Art during the blockbuster Van Gogh exhibit.

Gifts and pledges received during the year totaled $1.3 million. Outstanding 1999-2000 achievements included: the annual campaign goal was surpassed by 30%; two endowed and four expendable scholarships were established; a record number of new members joined the Michigan State University-Detroit College of Law Alumni Association; and membership in all the donor clubs continued to increase.

College of Education

In 1999-2000, annual fund giving and interest from endowments provided scholarship support to 131 undergraduate and graduate students in the College of Education. Of the scholarships awarded, 68 were from named funds. For the third year in a row, the college has made a commitment to support students completing their yearlong internship in an urban setting. This year, 63 students received these scholarships, an increase of nearly 27% from the year before.

Annual cash gifts from alumni, friends, foundations and corporations totaled $1,524,900 for the 1999-2000 fiscal year. Individuals (alumni and friends) contributed 89% of the gifts received. Membership in The Leadership Circle, which recognizes gifts of $1,000 or more annually, continued to increase during its second year, with a total of 101 members, up from 68 in its inaugural year. Several new estate commitments designated for the College of Education with a present value of $1,534,900 were formalized in 1999-2000. A total of 14 new endowments were established to benefit the college during the year.

College of Engineering

Fiscal year 1999-2000 heralded the arrival of Janie Foule as the new dean for the College of Engineering. Under her leadership, the college experienced one of its most successful fund raising years ever, with $19,655,000 raised. The number of donors remained virtually unchanged, with 2,306 pledging their support to the college. Several significant major gifts helped to propel the college to this philanthropic success.

The college is especially proud of its faculty, staff and retirees who continue to demonstrate their devotion to the college through charitable giving, which rose by 28%, from $57,800 to $79,800. Annual gifts from alumni also grew dramatically.

Through the annual College Campaign, alumni contributed $1,529,500—an impressive increase of 130% over 1998-1999. The number of alumni donors to the campaign also grew from 1,179 to 1,267.

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The college welcomed 97 new donor society members, including: Frank S. Kedzie Society, five; MSU Benefactors, five; John A. Hannah Society, nine; Beaumont Tower Society, 17; Presidents Club, 53; and Presidents Club Associates, two. Six new Legacy Society members were recognized for their planned gifts.

The Honors College, Admissions & Scholarships, and The Graduate School

A memorable event for the Honors College in 1999-2000 was the rededication ceremony held in October for the renovated Eustace Hall. During fiscal year 1999-2000, the Honors College raised $862,000, a 165% increase from the previous year.

In 1999-2000, a total of 788 donors supported or pledged their support to the Honors College. The college welcomed 16 new donor society members: MSU Benefactors, one; Beaumont Tower Society, two; Presidents Club level, 12; and Presidents Club Associates, one. Through annual appeal efforts, the number of MSU alumni and friends who contributed to the Honors College jumped 25% from the previous year. In addition, financial contributions from MSU current and retired staff and faculty increased by 75%.

In addition to admitting 7,000 incoming freshman and transfer students each academic year, the Office of Admissions oversees the administration of the Alumni Distinguished Scholarships and other scholarships endowed by alumni and friends. Several new expendable agreements were created in the 1999-2000 academic year, and one new scholarship agreement was endowed. To date, there are 44 endowed scholarships, as well as 25 expendable scholarships.

In the 1999-2000 academic year, the Graduate School announced that it was launching a development program to secure financial assistance for graduate student travel in support of their professional development and attendance at state, national, and international conferences to present their research findings. Funds will also support additional fellowships.

College of Human Ecology

Following a successful year of reconnecting with many alumni and friends in 1998-99, the College of Human Ecology entered fiscal year 1999-2000 with a goal of strengthening the College of Human Ecology. Faculty and friends in San Francisco, Chicago, Detroit, Lansing, Los Angeles and the state and country including Atlanta, New York and Chicago. Several more events are planned for early fiscal year 2000-01. The 1999-2000 fiscal year was a great year for planned gifts at James Madison College. With planned gifts received during the year totaling over $300,000. Alumni gifts to James Madison totaled over $70,000, the largest alumni support in the college's history. The gifts will benefit student scholarships. In addition, the college was pleased to welcome several new Beaumont Tower members.

The College of Human Ecology also experienced a significant increase in giving society members. The college welcomed 16 special gifts and three major gifts during 1999-2000. Communication and outreach efforts assisted in the commitment and documentation of three deferred gifts totaling $475,000.

College of Human Medicine

During fiscal year 1999-2000, the College of Human Medicine bid farewell to William Abbett as he stepped down as dean after 11 years of leadership. Dr. Abbett’s legacy unquestionably will be his enduring commitment to students. Among his many accomplishments during his tenure are a dramatic increase in student scholarships and the successful launch of a campaign for new medical student facilities this past year.

The generosity of the college’s many friends resulted in gifts totaling $1,378,400 during fiscal year 1999-2000. An additional $231,700 was generated to support the six CHM community campuses for a combined total of $1,627,100. The number of donors to the college exceeded 950. During fiscal year 1999-2000, the college received eight major gifts of $50,000 or more.

The College secured 35 new donor club memberships, including: MSU Benefactors, six; John A. Hannah Society; six, Beaumont Tower Society, eight; and MSU Presidents Club, 15.

College of Natural Science

In 1999-2000, the College of Natural Science welcomed a new director of development, Suzette Hittner. Since late September, the development focus has been to meet with alumni and friends of the college, with numerous events hosted by Dean George Leroi in East Lansing and throughout the United States.

The 1999-2000 fiscal year was a great year for private financial support for the college. Great strides were made in securing funding for the Biomedical and Physical Sciences facility and SOAR projects. Gifts received during the 1999-2000 year totaled more than $5.5 million—a 37% increase over the previous fiscal year. The college received 18 major gifts of $50,000 or more. Cash gifts to the College of Natural Science Annual Fund totaled over $142,021—an increase of 7% over 1998-99.

The college welcomed 63 new donor society members, including: Legacy Society, four; Frank S. Kedzie Society, one; MSU Benefactors, three; John A. Hannah Society, 11; Beaumont Tower Society, 16, and MSU Presidents Club, 28.

College of Nursing

For the fifth straight year, the College of Nursing set a new record in gifts received, with a 161% increase in gifts and 18% more donors. The college realized its first fully funded endowed visiting professorship, a pledge for an endowed discretionary fund, and a bequest to establish the first endowed fellowship. The college also launched a campaign for their first endowed professorship named in honor of a former dean. Faculty and staff set a new record in giving this year for the fourth year in a row with their contributions during the All University Campaign.

The 1999-2000 year was one of transition for the College of Osteopathic Medicine’s Development Office. In September, a new Development Director, Barbara Ball-McClure, was hired and began the orientation process within the university and the college. Much of the year was spent meeting with faculty, alumni and donors to develop a case statement for development over the next few years. Two scholarships were started this year to benefit underserved minorities in the college.

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College of Social Science

The MSU College of Social Science is presently conducting a nationwide search for a new dean to succeed Dr. Ken Corey. Corey, who succeeded Dr. Gwen Andrews, served as dean of the college for ten years (1989-1999) and is now senior research advisor to the MSU Vice President for Re-
search and Graduate Studies. Associate Dean Phil Smith served as acting dean during the 1999-2000 year and Associate Dean Gary Manson has assumed acting dean duties for the 2000-01 year. The new dean will be only the third for the college in the past thirty years, a remarkable record of stable leadership for the college.

The college realized $1,821,600 in private gift support from 2,121 donors during the 1999-2000 fiscal year, a 12% increase in gift dollars and an 11% increase in donors over the college’s five-year average. In addition, the college received a record $2.7 million dollars in bequests and planned gift support. During the college’s annual fund campaign, the number of donors increased by 6% over last year and the dollar total was up 7%. The college welcomed 25 new donor club members, including two new Frank S. Kedzie Society members.

College of Veterinary Medicine

Fiscal year 1999-2000 was a tremendous year in philanthropic giving for the College of Veterinary Medicine. Total dollars raised were up over last year’s record-breaking achievements, as well as the total number of donors. In June, the college witnessed the dedication of the Mary Anne McPhail Equine Performance Center.

During 1999-2000, 2,529 donors stepped forward with philanthropic gifts to the college, totaling $4,975,900. This represented a 31% increase over 1998-99. New endowments continued to be created at a rate unparalleled in the history of the college—with 16 new endowments in support of scholarship, research, and clinical services. The college’s planned giving program continued to surpass expectations, with more than $2 million documented this past fiscal year from 16 gifts.

The college welcomed 16 new Legacy Society members, two Kedzie Society members, eight MSU Benefactors, eight Hannah Society members, 11 Beaumont Tower Society members, and 16 Presidents Club or Presidents Club Associates.

The W. J. Beal Botanical Garden, and Hidden Lake Gardens, which are all in the unit of Campus Park and Planning. Awareness of the programs remains a challenge for an area that lacks alumni to work with directly. Overall, $167,600 was given, which is the same amount given in 1998-99. Highlights included a gift of $20,000 for Campus Beautification, a $50,000 gift and a $50,000 pledge from a couple toward a new Bonsai Display Area at Hidden Lake Gardens in honor of retired garden employee, Jack Wikle, and benches contributed to the W. J. Beal Botanical Garden by three donors. A new “Friends” program at Hidden Lake Gardens has generated over 600 new members. The unit welcomed four new Presidents Club members.

Intercollegiate Athletics

The 1999-2000 year saw the opening of the Munn Arena Club and Munn Suites, a $4.2 million project. In January, MSU received a $2 million commitment from the Alfred Berkowitz Trust to initiate the planning and construction of the Alfred Berkowitz Basketball Complex which will house state-of-the-art offices and practice facilities for men’s and women’s basketball. Fund raising for this project is ongoing with over $3.5 million of the $5.9 million goal committed to date. The 1999-2000 year was a record-breaking year for the Ralph Young Fund. Mirroring the championship performances by our Spartan men's basketball, football and hockey teams, gift income to the Department of Intercollegiate Athletics soared to over $7.2 million in cash gifts from 5,703 donors, an increase of 27% and 5%, respectively. The Ralph Young Fund was also the recipient of over $368,000 in irrevocable planned gifts.

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Wharton Center for Performing Arts

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Many of the university’s fund raising programs are most effectively carried out within the individual colleges. Others are most effective when staffed and coordinated university-wide. One example of a centralized program is the telemarketing campaign conducted on behalf of the individual colleges by members of the central staff of Special and Annual Giving. Another example is the centralized administration of donor recognition groups. Donors usually achieve recognition through gifts to an individual college or program, but their generosity is recognized through university-wide recognition groups.

Corporate and Foundation Relations

The 1999-2000 year was productive and busy, with focus on two major efforts: the Biomedical and Physical Sciences Facility and Study Abroad. A total of $71,988,000 was raised from the sources handled by this department. This represents an increase of $25,572,500 over the prior year.

Biomedical and Physical Sciences Facility

The goal to be raised from private sources is $13 million. As of fiscal year-end, nearly $10.7 million had been committed. Major commitments received included: $3,000,000 from the MSU Foundation, $2,500,000 from the Ford Motor Company, $1,000,000 from the Gerstacker Foundation, $150,000 from the John E. Green Co., and $2,000,000 from individual donors. In addition, two more proposals totaling $2 million were developed and are still pending.

Study Abroad

The Associate Director has taken responsibility for the department’s Study Abroad efforts. In the seven months he has been with us, he has developed a strong plan for this effort, has established relationships with many of the existing donors, and has secured $12,500 and submitted a proposal for $50,000, which is still pending.

Corporate Relations

MSU raised $33,720,900 in cash corporate support during 1999-2000. This represents a 63% increase over the prior year. Activities included visits with representatives of the following companies: Abbott Laboratories, Amertec, Auto-Owners Insurance, Comerica, DaimmerChrysler, Dow, Ford, Freudenberg and NOK, GE Fund, General Motors, IBM, Parke-Davis, Pharmacia, State Farm Insurance, and Steelcase.

Pharmacia Corporation donated its 80-acre conference center, Brook Lodge, and 557 acres of adjacent land to MSU in March of 2000. The value of the gift is $7,059,000. Shell Oil Company made a gift of two patents to the College of Engineering valued at more than $14 million.

MSU Partners was published once in 1999-2000. In-house campaigns continue to produce excellent results, reaching 3,800 MSU alumni and raising nearly $500,000.

Foundations, Associations, and Groups

Giving from associations and groups was up 67% over 1998-99, raising $7,360,800. The total raised from foundations in 1999-2000 was $10,906,200, an increase of 20%. Activities included visits with representatives of the following foundations: Baldwin Foundation, Rollin M. Gerstacker Foundation, James and Lynelle Holden Fund, McGregor Fund, and MSU Federal Credit Union.

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Major and Planned Gifts

The 1999-2000 year saw continued and impressive growth in the area of planned gifts. By the close of the fiscal year, $20,988,200 in newly documented planned gifts was received from 108 donors. This represents a 98% increase over the $10.6 million documented in 1995-1996, when the planned giving program began its current growth spurt. Through June 30, 2000, MSU had a total of 1,270 documented planned gifts valued at $207,528,600 in future support, compared with $190,983,400 in future support from 1,209 donors at the close of last fiscal year. Exceeding the $200 million mark in planned gifts is a milestone.

Major Gifts

Dollars given by individuals as first-time major gifts of $50,000 and above, and by recognized individual major donors making new gifts of any size, topped $20 million. This reflects a slow but steady increase over the past three years as the major gifts program builds its donor base and develops staff skills. Whereas we had 720 major donors last fiscal year from among alumnus, there were 850 this year, and the number of friends making major gifts made a jump from 804 to 902.

Society Activity

This past fiscal year, MSU added six new Frank S. Kedzie Society members, for a total of 109 donors who have made gifts totaling $1,000,000 cash or $1.5 million deferred. The number of MSU Benefactors jumped by 82 to a new total of 854 donors who have made cumulative gifts of $100,000 cash or $200,000 deferred. Eighty-eight new additions brought the total number of John A. Hannah Society members to 451, a figure representing those who have total gifts equaling or exceeding $50,000 cash or $100,000 deferred. The MSU Legacy Society added 84 new members who have named MSU as a beneficiary of future gifts.

Other Highlights

Members of the Major and Planned Gift unit planned over 35 events around the country. Each was designed to thank current donors for their gifts and familiarize both current and prospective donors with the difference private philanthropy makes to MSU. Many of the events featured President Peter McPherson, Mrs. Joanne McPherson, Provost Lou Anna Simon, a dean, or a top administrator.

In August, the Jewish Studies Program of the College of Arts and Letters was celebrated at a dinner in the Bloomfield Hills home of Paul and Marlene Botman. The provost hosted a major donor reception at the Orchard Lake Country Club in Orchard Hills, and the president’s 3rd Annual Northern Michigan ‘swing’ gathered over 400 alumni and friends at MSU alumnae David John-son’s Bay Harbor resort community near Petoskey. At month’s end, the Detroit Area Development Council held its 3rd Annual Spartan Celebrity Golf Classic, bringing in additional endowment funds for scholarships.

The pace quickened as the school year got underway. The provost was hosted by five alumni couples who invited her for dinner in Washington, D.C. This president’s lawn party included a larger group of 35 in Houston before a Sunday performance by the Houston Symphony Orchestra. At the 2nd annual gathering of SE Michigan’s major donors, 50 Benefactor-and-above donors spent time with President and Mrs. McPherson at the lovely Northville home of André and Nancy Blay. A reception with the College of Communication Arts and Sciences brought 60 Jewish studies alumni and friends attracted 65 to the University Club. A larger gathering in Los Angeles not only included a performance by School of Music faculty member Ralph Votapek, but a surprise birthday celebration for one of the school’s long-time supporters, Ruth Charles.

In conjunction with the Office of Governmental Affairs, fund raising activities were added to another series of highly successful ‘President’s Days’ in Michigan. A fall day, for example, found 10 high-level Detroit business leaders lunching with the president at the Skyline Club in Southfield. In November, the president honored the MSU Black Alumni Association for its years of student support. March saw the president in western Michigan meeting alumni at the Kalamazoo Country Club.

Our volunteers provided much assistance. The Chicago Area Development Council continued its Hannah Forums, a lecture series that brings MSU faculty to Chicago’s Loop. The West Coast Regional Council added a San Francisco Bay Area reception to its 2-day annual meeting, bringing 75 alumni together to hear Provost Simon. Alumni in Orange County hosted another successful golf outing that added dollars to its scholarship endowment. And the Jewish Studies Advisory Board continued through its second full year of fund raising with the results celebrated when the president met with leaders of Detroit’s Jewish Community at the second such annual gathering hosted by the board.

Finally, the year was highlighted by some genuinely spectacular events. In February, hundreds of people gathered at the Wharton Center to hear the premiere of the new symphonic work commissioned by Dottie and Jack Withrow, Symphony No. 4 – The Gardens, by Pulitzer prize-winning composer Ellen Taaffe Zwilich. The president’s 4th Annual “Florida Swing,” this time with the provost, touched over 500 alumni at events in Naples, Fort Lauderdale, Jacksonville, and Melbourne. In April, the Inaugural Symposium of the Quello Center for Telecommunication Management and Law, held in Washington, D.C. in collaboration with MSU-DCL, featured Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia and drew compliments from the international audience.

In addition to activities and events, the unit staff met with several hundred alumni and friends for one-on-one conversations about how they can help MSU. In all, it was a great year with all efforts enriching the future of the university.

The MSU Orchestra and Choral Ensembles performed “Symphony No. 4, The Gardens” at Wharton Center.
Special and Annual Giving Programs

It was a busy and exciting year for MSU’s Special and Annual Giving Programs. Many alumni and friends, anticipating changes in MSU’s donor societies beginning July 1, 2000, rushed to make a donor society pledge prior to the July 1st change. The number of new special gift level donors for the fiscal year totaled 525—practically double the previous year’s number of new donors. In addition to the alumni who have chosen to make gifts through one of MSU’s donor societies, there are thousands of alumni who make annual gifts to the university through their college’s annual fund campaign, or the university’s annual unrestricted campaign, known as the Essential Edge Fund.

The goal of MSU’s Special and Annual Giving Programs is to expand the base of donors to the university while also providing opportunities for loyal alumni and friends to increase their level of support to MSU. We are pleased that again, significant strides were made toward this important goal. In all, more than $8.5 million in new pledges were secured from nearly 30,000 special and annual donors. Special and annual gift donors are contacted through staff and volunteer personal contacts, student-based telemarketing and direct marketing appeals. The special and annual donor base includes alumni, parents, students, faculty, staff, retirees and other university friends.

level, the Beaumont Tower Society has experienced significant growth over the past five years. In 1995-96, the total cumulative number of Beaumont Tower Society members was 487. In 1999-2000, this number grew to 1,037—a 113% increase during the five-year period. This past year, 180 loyal Spartans made a new pledge at the Beaumont Tower Society level.

**Presidents Club**

The Presidents Club was founded in 1963 as the university’s inaugural donor society, recognizing gifts and pledges of $10,000-$24,999. During the 1999-2000 fiscal year, 331 individuals made a commitment to MSU at the Presidents Club level. This represents a 115% increase over last year’s number. At the close of the fiscal year, there were a total of 3,473 donors giving at the Presidents Club level.

**Annual Giving Programs**

The primary focus of MSU’s Annual Giving Programs is to build the base of annual support for MSU. This means providing alumni, friends, students, faculty, staff and retirees opportunities to make a gift each year—while also encouraging donors to consider increasing their gifts to MSU over time. During the 1999-2000 fiscal year, more than $2.4 million was generated in new annual gifts and pledges from over 26,880 alumni, friends, parents and students. This represents an 8% increase in dollars pledged or given and an 11% increase in donors from the previous year. Annual campaigns also obtained 4,253 first-time donors to MSU during the past year—a 12% increase compared to the previous year.

**Alumni Campaigns**

MSU alumni are approached for a gift to MSU two times during the year—one for a gift to their college and once for a gift to the university’s unrestricted fund, the Essential Edge. This year, over 29,600 loyal alumni provided more than $2.7 million in gifts and pledges to MSU through annual alumni campaigns. This represents nearly an 8% increase in dollars pledged or donated and a 7% increase in the number of alumni donors supporting MSU through an annual campaign.

**College Campaigns**

Student callers and direct mail appeals generated $1.5 million in gifts and pledges from nearly 16,380 dedicated alumni donors for MSU’s colleges and programs. This compares to $1.4 million in pledges and gifts from 12,200 alumni the previous year. The average gift for alumni supporting their college increased to almost $93 compared to the previous year’s average of $91.

**Essential Edge Fund**

More than $757,000 in gifts and pledges was secured for the university’s unrestricted fund thanks to the 9,253 alumni who supported this effort. This represents a 20% increase in revenue and a 19% increase in the number of donors over the previous year.

**Parents Fund Campaign**

Parents of MSU students continue to increase their support to MSU. During the past year, 2,841 MSU parents made a gift to the annual Parents Fund Campaign. This appeal generated more than $156,000 in new gifts and pledges—a 37% increase over the previous year. MSU student callers sent a post card to parents in advance of placing telephone calls to generate awareness about the Parents Fund. Gifts from parents are a growing source of support for MSU.

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**Senior Class Campaign**

The 2000 Senior Class Campaign generated nearly $20,000 from senior students prior to their departure from campus. A Senior Class Honor Wall is located at the MSU Union. The wall was a gift from the Class of 1997 and provides permanent recognition of the efforts of each graduating class. A Senior Class website www.givingto.msu.edu/senior continues to be a great resource for senior students who want to be a part of this campaign.

**All University Campaign**

Faculty and staff have a long history of providing financial support to MSU’s colleges and programs. In fact, last year nearly 4,000 faculty, staff and retirees had commitments to MSU totaling over $8.5 million. The faculty/staff campaign, known as the All University Campaign, provides an opportunity for faculty and staff to make a new gift commitment to MSU each year. This past year’s campaign generated more than $1.1 million in new gifts and pledges from more than 460 faculty, staff and retiree donors. This represents a 112% increase in dollars pledged over the previous year. This figure also reflects 81 new special or major gift level commitments from faculty and staff, which made up slightly more than 90% of the total dollars given or pledged during the most recent campaign.
Cleland Spartan Enclave Establishes Two Scholarships

When Bob Cleland graduated as a mechanical engineer from Michigan State University in 1951, little did he know how much MSU would be a part of his family in the future. Due largely to the support of his wife, Barb, his own determination to succeed, and the G.I. Bill, Bob graduated and went on to a successful career with Standard Oil/Amoco. Along the way, he and Barb raised a family of four children with a true "Spartan Spirit" that remains at the heart of the Cleland family.

Over the years, two more MSU degrees were earned within the family and two alumni were added by marriage. Although Barb and two children did not officially hold Michigan State University diplomas, their appreciation for MSU certainly won them the title of Honorary Spartans as well.

This close-knit family with a long-standing tradition of support for Michigan State University athletics, an appreciation of academic excellence, and a deep love for everything "green" unfortunately experienced very difficult times when Barb passed away. Suddenly and their son David died in a tragic accident. Bob and his daughters, Susan, Deb and Kelli, decided to respond to these misfortunes with an outpouring of good will.

"Barbara was the matriarch of our Spartan family enclave," Bob explained. "It was the heart of the Cleland family."

Barb raised a family of four children with a true "Spartan Spirit" that remains at the heart of the Cleland family.

Through his father's estate, Bob was able to use the CPA rule to make a gift of his retirement plan assets through a charitable remainder unitrust that will be funded at his death with assets that remain from selected IRAs. The trust will pay his daughters an annual income for a period of years. Upon the termination of his charitable trust, the remaining assets will be distributed to MSU to fund the scholarships. The value of the future gift is estimated to be approximately $350,000.

Funding a charitable trust with remaining retirement plan assets allows the assets to pass tax free to the charitable trust, thus retaining their full value. Had they been directed to his daughters, the assets would have been subject to estate and income tax, significantly reducing their value. Such funds are an excellent asset to use as an outright charitable gift (at the death of the retirement plan participant and if there is no surviving spouse) or to fund a charitable trust that can provide a stream of income for family members or friends for their lives or a period of years.

"Development representatives from the Office of Planned Giving and the College of Engineering were extremely cooperative and knowledgeable in helping us determine the most advantageous and efficient method to structure our future gift," Bob said. "Once the decision was made to create a charitable unitrust funded with remaining IRA assets, they did all the work. I encourage others to consider doing what we did. It's easy!"

In the end, the dedication to MSU shown by one family in memory of two of its members will be remembered in perpetuity.

“After I Knock Off, you can use this in whatever way helps you...”

...but until I knock off, I'd just like it to be filled away." Those are the words of a humble donor who is concerned that friends and colleagues may see an article about her and the professorship she established at MSU as merely showing off her good fortunes. It was one of the first things Dr. Gwen Andrew said to her interviewer as he arrived to find out more about the recent commitment to the College of Social Science.

You see, Dr. Andrew, former director of the School of Social Work, former dean of the College of Social Science, and former interim dean of the colleges of Human Ecology and Nursing, had an idea that she thought needed to become a reality. To honor an outstanding professor in the field, the Ruth T. Koehler Professorship in Children's Services was created. But why not share this great story with everyone about the legal system in which they have to interact on behalf of children.

Dr. Andrew’s vision is that the Koehler Professorship will tie these two initiatives together. "Chance at Childhood, like the lectureship, sounded like a fairly unusual idea that had a chance of going somewhere in a multidisciplinary fashion," she said. "You put the two together and you say why not add a professorship, somebody who would really be abetting this as a program?"

Dr. Andrew’s thoughtfulness and good intentions, filled with humility and respect for her colleagues and the magnitude of the issues they face, never seem to squelch her no-nonsense approach. "The professorship, like the other two programs, is in Social Work because I think they know something about children. They don’t get lost in other things. So let’s see if we can’t amalgamate these a bit and make them into something bigger.

"MSU is the place to do this because when the time comes, MSU focuses on doing things about practical problems," she said. "That’s what land grant institutions are all about."

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Barr And Chipman Provide Generous Gifts

A former Urban Planning and Landscape Architecture professor and one of his most successful landscape architecture students, who both placed great value on study abroad, have made separate gifts benefiting MSU Urban Planning and MSU Landscape Architecture.

The late Professor Charles W. Barr left property valued in excess of $150,000. The gift established the Charles W. Barr Urban Planning Enrichment Fund within the MSU Urban and Regional Planning Program. Barr, who taught at MSU from 1930-77, passed away on June 25, 2000. He planned via his estate for the fund that will provide teaching, research, and outreach enhancements in the planning program.

A well-known teacher and scholar in the fields of urban planning and landscape architecture, Barr was instrumental in establishing the MSU Planning program in 1946, making MSU only the second U.S. university to offer an undergraduate degree in Urban Planning. He also personally built the collection of the MSU Planning and Design Library that bears his name. Over his career, Barr visited 70 countries at his own expense in order to study urban development and visit with city planners, bringing his personal travel experiences back to the classroom for his students.

"Charlie Barr’s history is the history of not only MSU Planning but also that of our profession," says Carl Goldschmidt, Director Emeritus of MSU Planning. "He will have a lasting impact on both MSU Planning and the planning profession, and it is fitting that the name of Charles W. Barr will live on at MSU Planning.

MSU Libraries Receive Hollywood Manuscripts & Turfgrass Pledge

The MSU Libraries were honored to receive manuscripts from Jack Epps, Jr. and the late Jim Cash, co-screen writers of such movies as *The Secret of My Success*, *Dick Tracy*, *Legal Eagles* and *Top Gun*, for use in the Special Collections Division. The Special Collections Division exists to preserve the heritage of the past and to collect important records of contemporary culture.

Jack Epps, Jr. and Cynthia Cash, Jim Cash’s widow, have agreed that the complete collection of the work of Cash/Epps should reside in East Lansing and not in Hollywood. East Lansing was where they began their relationship and they were proud that their first story meeting took place in the MSU Union Grill in 1973.

The donation of these manuscripts will help show the step-by-step process of writing a movie script. These works include the first, second, third and final drafts and also include tape transcriptions and out-takes. “MSU made all the difference on why we were successful,” remarked Epps. “We want our works there.”

Both Jack Epps, Jr. and Jim Cash received the Spartan Award for outstanding accomplishments in the film industry at the annual Spartans in Hollywood event sponsored by the MSU Alumni Association on July 30, 2000 in Los Angeles. Epps and Cash received their B.A. degrees from MSU’s College of Arts & Letters (CAL), both majoring in English. Cash went on to receive his M.A. from MSU’s College of Communication Arts and Sciences with a major in Television and Radio. While in school, Epps was a walk-on member of the Hockey Team, founded and directed the Mid-West Film Festival, and was the film critic for the MSU State News.

The MSU Libraries are also pleased to announce a pledge of $1 million dollars from the United States Golf Association (USGA) to the Turfgrass Information Center (TIC). The Libraries have undertaken a campaign to establish an endowment of $5 million to underwrite the ongoing operation of the center, as well as open the databases to all users free-of-charge.

“The USGA’s Turfgrass and Environmental Research committee decided to allocate $200,000 for five years from its research budget to support TIC,” said John O’Neill, chairman of the USGA’s Green Section committee. “TIC is simply the world’s best library of turfgrass and golf course maintenance information. The USGA’s support of this one-of-a-kind collection will help ensure the continued availability of this critical resource for generations to come.”

Alumni At DaimlerChrysler Give Back To MSU

Michigan State University has benefited from numerous dedicated and loyal alumni who seek to give back to the university they feel has given them so much. Their backgrounds and stories are as varied as possible, but they have one thing in common, their love of MSU.

A select group of employees at DaimlerChrysler Corporation in Auburn Hills, Michigan have done just that. This group of dedicated alumni will pool their talents and resources and seek to give back to MSU.

They do this not just by making a personal financial contribution but by volunteering their time to encourage others to make a personal commitment to the university as well.

Every fall Sue and Stuart, along with fourteen other volunteers, identify approximately 100 MSU graduates among their DaimlerChrysler co-workers who are capable of making a special or major gift. The volunteers then work hand in hand with University Development to send information to each potential donor’s home. Each individual is then asked by a volunteer to consider making a special or major gift to the university.

“It has been a privilege to work with this group of dedicated MSU volunteers,” said Sue Unger. “It is nice to connect with a group of people who share my love of Michigan State.”

The results of the work done by this group of volunteers have been truly impressive. Thirty-eight new giving society members were secured during fiscal year 1999-2000, representing nearly $700,000 in gifts and pledges.

“Being involved in this project has helped me realize how important the support of alumni is to a public university,” said Stuart Jeffares. “So many of the programs and services available on this campus would not be possible without the support of charitable gifts.”

For more information about how you can become a volunteer, please contact Taunya Henderson at (800) 232-4678, extension 281.

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Summer 2000 saw two important facilities officially become part of the MSU community. On June 7, the state-of-the-art Mary Anne McPhail Equine Performance Center was dedicated in a ceremony attended by 300 guests. The 18,000 square foot center, significantly supported by Mary Anne and Walter McPhail, expands the College of Veterinary Medicine’s efforts in research studies for equine health and performance.

The $7 million Brook Lodge facility was dedicated on a summer day in mid-July. Once the private summer home of Upjohn Company founder W. E. Upjohn and his family, it is now under MSU management and open to the public for meetings and social events. Earlier this year, Pharmacia Corporation gave MSU the beautifully landscaped property and buildings located in Augusta, Michigan, which includes additional undeveloped acreage to be used by the university for research.