



LEGACIES

Central Oregon Community College Foundation

January 2012

Carol Mason

Students to benefit from generous New York designer

The day in 1995 that Carol Mason landed her Piper Cherokee in Bend as part of her nationwide exploratory tour was, as it turned out, an auspicious one for future students of Central Oregon Community College.

The skiing lifestyle tethered the retired New York dress designer to Bend. Gradually she bought and remodeled real estate: three apartment complexes in Bend and Redmond, the Mill Inn Bed and Breakfast on Colorado Avenue, a residence in Saddleback, and a condominium.

Some of her tenants were COCC students and as she got to know

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Carol Mason is shown here in 2005. Her generosity will benefit students for years to come.

Nancy R. Chandler Visiting Scholar Program Events

Culinary Arts Extravaganza
with RUTH REICHL
Wednesday, Feb. 15

A Spy in the House of Food
4:30 p.m., Jungers Culinary Center
\$125 private reception with Ruth and preferred seating for evening event

*American Food Now:
New Trends in Eating and
What They Tell Us About Our Society*
7 p.m., Bend Senior High Auditorium
\$25 preferred seating; \$15 general

Tickets go on sale Tuesday, Jan. 17
COCC Box Office
Boyle Education Center, Bend
Paulina Springs Books
Redmond and Sisters
Or by phone: 541-383-7575

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Kirby Nagelhout

Legacy of giving

There are organizations that, through their leadership, make Central Oregon better through their philanthropy; there are some who make that into an ongoing legacy. Kirby Nagelhout did that with Kirby Nagelhout Construction.

After graduating from Bend High School in 1974, Kirby Nagelhout worked as a carpenter and project supervisor. In 1986, he started his own construction company and under his leadership, the firm has completed more than 1,000 projects totaling more than \$625 million.

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Center brings excitement to culinary community

from the President

The opening this fall of the Jungers Culinary Center has brought a new level of excitement to the culinary community in Central Oregon. In addition to this fabulous facility, we have increased credit enrollment and have additional noncredit offerings to inspire, educate, and bring joy and jobs to Central Oregonians.

I hope that by now, many of you have had the opportunity to visit the new building. The state-of-the-art teaching facility includes two multipurpose kitchens, a baking kitchen and a demonstration kitchen, plus the dining lab/restaurant, Elevation, which is open to the public. If you haven't been to Elevation yet, I invite you to do so soon. Students prepare lunch on Fridays and dinner on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. To make reservations, visit Elevation's website at <http://elevationbend.com>.

I am so pleased to see the tremendous growth and energy in the classrooms and teaching kitchens. The Cascade Culinary Institute, which has been operating now for nearly two decades, is now considered one of the top schools in the West. Enrollment in the certificate and degree programs has been climbing over the past few years, but this year took a tremendous leap, growing from 113 students last year to 167 this fall.

Equally exciting are the new offerings to those interested in noncredit courses. Through our popular Community Learning program, we now have a wide variety of choices for those interested in specific subjects. These include instruction in cake decorating, knife skills, soups, beer brewing, breads, healthy baking and more—and that is just this winter. You can see all of our Community Learning courses at <http://noncredit.cocc.edu>.

I once again want to thank so many of you for helping make the Jungers Culinary Center a reality. Thanks to you, we are inspiring hundreds of people to explore their culinary passions.



*Dr. James Middleton
COCC President*



President Middleton presents Chef Julian Darwin with a plaque commemorating a \$50,000 scholarship endowment in his name.

Later this year, we will be opening two more new facilities on the Bend Campus—our health careers and science buildings. Just as the new culinary facility has transformed teaching and learning in that field, we anticipate similar significant impact from these new facilities. During our time of tremendous enrollment growth, the demand for additional offerings in health and sciences has been severely stifled by lack of adequate space. New classrooms and teaching labs will be of great help as we help students move toward degrees and careers in nursing, medical and dental assisting, massage therapy, pharmacy technician, engineering and related science fields.

My thanks goes out to all Central Oregonians for their support of our 2009 bond measure which funded these and other facilities. Together, we are expanding our capacity to meet the needs of students, communities and our local workforce.

Thanks—and best wishes for a fruitful new year.

Why write a will?

A meaningful way to make a powerful statement

One of the most important legal activities each of us faces is deciding how, after our death, our assets will be used and who will benefit from them. Estate planning and the writing of a will are deeply meaningful ways to make a powerful statement with these assets.

However, a great number of people die “intestate” (without a will). When that happens the state or others decide for us where and how the estate will be distributed.

If your preferences have not been clearly stated in a will, then it is likely that those preferences will not be carried out. It is, therefore, vital that you have a will. It is a wonderful way of expressing your love to the people and organizations you cherish.



Jim Weaver
Executive Director
COCC Foundation

It is a way to take control of your assets, and make a positive statement. As you do so, you might consider creating an endowment or endowments to benefit the charity or charities you care most deeply about. Here is why you might like to consider doing so.

Endowments are Perpetual

Your estate gift (or current gift if made while you are alive) is invested and the interest earnings are used to fund the purpose of the endowment. Like a spring welling from the earth, endowment funds keep giving. Endowments last. Endowments allow you the knowledge that you will forever make a crucial difference for your charity. Each year into the future, children, grandchildren, and the community will be reminded of your involvement with your charity and the importance of making regular gifts to support worthy causes. What a wonderful legacy!

Endowments are Protected

Endowments are set aside and kept separate from operating and capital fund accounts. Endowment funds are secure: they are not used for unspecified purposes and are not dissolved after so many years. This is guaranteed through the integrity of your charity, and through written agreements that outline your wishes.

Endowments are Personal

You may find it desirable to create an unnamed, unrestricted endowment fund to be used by your charity wherever the need is greatest. You may want your fund to bear the particular name of a loved one or of your family. You can choose to tailor the purpose of your endowment to benefit a particular area of interest. This flexibility gives you an opportunity to personalize your “forever gift.”

The Central Oregon Community College Foundation has sound, developed policies for creating and managing endowment funds. We can show you a variety of ways you can use the tools of gift planning to make an endowment dream come true—whether now through a current gift, or later through your estate plan. We would be glad to visit or correspond in confidence about this meaningful area of philanthropy. For more information, please contact Jim Weaver at 541-383-7212, or feel free to email your request to jweaver@cocc.edu. Jim will respond, in confidence, immediately.

The best use of life is to spend it for something that outlasts life.
— William James



Nancy R. Chandler Visiting Scholar Program Events

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Ruth Reichl

Ruth Reichl has been a treasured voice on the culinary landscape for many years. She is a best-selling author, food critic, former editor-in-chief of *Gourmet* magazine, winner of six James Beard awards and serves as a judge on Bravo's Top Chef Masters. At the 7 p.m. presentation at Bend High, Reichl will examine how today's consumers judge restaurants on criteria that includes ethics, nutritional savvy and a keen knowledge of global flavors. What will the complicated demands of today's consumers in this new democracy of food mean for the future? Following her presentation, Reichl will take questions from the audience and sign books.

At the 4:30 p.m. reception at the Jungers Culinary Center, Reichl will share some of the most humorous stories from her years as a food critic. The reception will feature a hosted bar and food prepared and served by Cascade Culinary Institute students.

More information: <http://foundation.cocc.edu/vsp> or 541-318-3770.

**A Conversation with
1961 Freedom Riders,
Carol Ruth Silver and Claude Albert Liggins**
6 p.m., Tuesday, Jan. 24
Wille Hall, Campus Center
COCC Bend Campus
Free and open to the public

In the spring and summer of 1961, more than 400 people came together to travel into the Deep South, defying Jim Crow laws and putting their welfare—even their lives—on the line in support of racial justice. With a firm belief in the possibility for nonviolent change, Carol Ruth Silver and Claude Albert Liggins were among those who stepped forward to join the Freedom Riders. Theirs is a story of sacrifice, terror and—ultimately—triumph. Join us to hear their stories, learn how the experience shaped their lives, and understand its relevance for today. Book sale and signing will follow the presentation.

**White Out? The Future of Racial Diversity
in Oregon**

An Oregon Humanities Conversation Project with Emily Drew of Willamette University
6:30 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 9
Wille Hall, Campus Center
COCC Bend Campus
Free and open to the public

Drew will lead participants in a conversation about the challenges to creating racially diverse, inclusive communities, despite the accomplishments since the civil rights era.



Emily Drew

What does the racial integration of place require, and how do we prepare to create and meet this opportunity?

For more information about this presentation or other events, please contact Karen Aylward, Nancy R. Chandler Visiting Scholar Program Coordinator at 541-383-7257 or visit <http://foundation.cocc.edu/VSP>

Those who would like to receive email notification of upcoming events, please contact kaylward@cocc.edu

Nancy R. Chandler Visiting Scholar Program Events

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A Hidden History: Why Aren't There More Black People in Oregon?

An Oregon Humanities Conversation Project with Walidah Imarisha of Portland State University
6:30 p.m., Monday, Feb. 27
Wille Hall, Campus Center
COCC Bend Campus
Free and open to the public

Imarisha will lead participants through an interactive timeline of black history in Oregon and will also discuss how history, politics and culture have shaped—and will continue to shape—the landscape for black Oregonians.



Walidah Imarisha

Dr. Sima Samar

The Question of Afghanistan

Thursday, April 26
Private reception and presentation at the Tower Theatre, Bend
\$25 preferred seating
\$15 general admission
\$125 reception and preferred seating
Tickets go on sale March 16



*Dr. Sima Samar
Afghan human rights pioneer and
Nobel Peace Prize nominee*

Dr. Sima Samar, Afghan human rights pioneer and Nobel Peace prize nominee, has spent her life breaking barriers. The first Hazara woman to obtain a medical degree from Kabul University and an outspoken advocate for women's rights, Dr. Samar was Deputy President of Afghanistan and the country's first Minister for Women's Affairs. Ousted by religious conservatives, she now chairs the Afghanistan Independent Human Rights Commission.



"Freedom Riders"

Joe Postiglione, photographer, 1961

Freedom Riders escape a bus terrorized and set ablaze by a mob of white supremacists in Alabama. Many of the nonviolent riders were savagely beaten by members of the Ku Klux Klan.

The Nancy R. Chandler Visiting Scholar Program is offering a series of presentations about racial justice during the Season of Nonviolence.



Stephanie Prutzman

Early Options program provides fast track

After Stephanie Prutzman's mother died when she was in middle school, she overcame her academic troubles and qualified for the Early Options program in high school.



She started attending COCC in the fall of 2009 in lieu of high school to fast track her education. She will earn a culinary certificate in June and plans to earn a bachelor's degree in business, hotel and tourism.

Stephanie Prutzman, an Early Options student, will be volunteering at the Meal of the Year.

"I am honored and truly grateful to receive your support and confidence in me...to help me keep on track with my education. I am blessed by the help and encouragement shown to me by those of you who have donated to this scholarship and who have faith in me. I will be volunteering at the Meal of the Year and hope to meet donors at this event to thank you personally."

Randy McBride

Job loss leads to fulfillment of lifelong passion

Randy McBride and his wife both lost jobs that they had held for almost a decade. A scholarship from Central Oregon Intergovernmental Council helped Randy to start classes at COCC, but that fund has now run out. Randy received a COCC Foundation Scholarship this year that has allowed him to remain in school.



Randy McBride

A lifelong passion to help others has led him to pursue an associate degree in addiction studies. He will graduate this June.

"I am not sure a simple note can really ever communicate how grateful I am for your help. There are times in our lives when a simple act of kindness tells someone that you believe in them. Your vote of confidence is something that helps. When someone who does not know you acts kindly, it is very touching."

Marie Crocco-Pickett

Madras mom looks to a new career

At age 48, Marie Crocco-Pickett found herself raising four daughters alone after her husband was sent to jail for 36 years.

She is enrolled in the health information technology program and would like to also pursue the medical assisting program to increase her job options. She drives from her home in Madras four days a week to attend classes.

"The day I received the letter in the mail that I was chosen for your scholarship award was a humbling experience and the most exciting, encouraging and proud moment for me. Your generosity has given me the relief of stress in these economic times as I begin a new career."



Marie Crocco-Pickett, a single mother of four, drives from Madras four days a week in order to pursue her studies in the health information technology program.

Kirby Nagelhout

Giving quietly and often to his community

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The company has contributed to the scholarship fund since 1996, has sponsored a table at the COCC Foundation's Meal of the Year fundraising event and helped to sponsor The Feast at the Old Mill culinary program fundraiser for several years.

Jeff Deswert took over the helm of the company following Kirby's death this summer. He says the company plans to continue Kirby's legacy of philanthropy.

"Kirby wanted the company to continue to carry on his tradition of giving back to the community," notes Deswert. "Even in tough times we continue to try to support the causes that meant the most to Kirby. He was truly a caring man to all that knew him and to many that did not."

On the COCC campuses, Kirby Nagelhout Construction Co. was responsible for the construction of five new campus buildings, a major addition and the renovation of three other buildings.

"The atrium floor of the Library was originally designed to be stained concrete," remembers Gene Zinkgraf, the co-project manager. "Kirby did not like the fact that cracks in the concrete, which invariably happen, would take away from the aesthetics of the space. He donated the stone tiles that are the current floor material."

Jim Jones, vice president of the college from 1989 to 2009, worked with Kirby on several COCC building projects. "He really wanted to do an excellent job in constructing buildings for COCC," remembers Jim. "I believe he cared about COCC and realized its value to Central Oregon. He often came up with better/less expensive ways to construct a building."

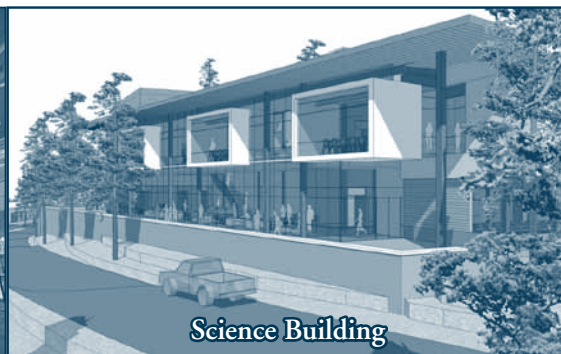
In addition to the COCC Foundation, the company has supported the Deschutes Children's Foundation, Grandma's House and the Boys & Girls Club of Central Oregon. According to associates, he gave quietly and often behind the scenes to almost anyone who asked. Kirby Nagelhout made Central Oregon a better place to live, and his legacy continues through his wife, Cathy, and all who work at Kirby Nagelhout Construction.



Kirby Nagelhout (left) shown here conferring with COCC Vice President for Administration Matt McCoy in 2007.



Library Rotunda



Science Building



Madras Campus



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Meal of the Year/Taste of the Town, March 2 and 3

Eileen and Bruce McLellan will be honored for community contributions

The Taste of the Town and the Meal of the Year events are scheduled for March 2 and 3. Both evenings benefit the Foundation's scholarship program, which seeks to create better lives through education for Central Oregonians. Last year more than 1,000 people attended both evenings, raising nearly \$200,000 for student scholarships.

This year's honorees, Eileen and Bruce McLellan, will be honored for their many years of contributions to the Central Oregon community.

"Bruce and Eileen have been in Central Oregon for more than 20 years," said Jim Weaver, executive director of the Foundation, "and, for all of those years, have involved themselves in charitable organizations, among them the COCC Foundation, Cascade Festival of Music, the American Heart Association and P.E.O. We are very pleased that they have allowed us to honor them."

Eileen served as a COCC Foundation Trustee from 1999 to 2010 and chaired the capital campaign to build the Jungers Culinary Center from 2006-09.

Friday night's Taste of the Town will showcase some of our favorite restaurants, which will be offering bite-size samples of food.

Complementing the delicious food will be plenty of music by the band Pressure Point and dancing. The event will be from 6 to 10 p.m. in the Mazama Gymnasium on the COCC campus. Tickets are \$25 per person in advance or \$30 at the door.



Eileen and Dr. Bruce McLellan



Light-hearted fun pervaded the evening at last year's Taste of the Town event.

On Saturday, the Meal of the Year dinner will be created and served by Cascade Culinary Institute students and chefs. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. at the Mazama Gymnasium. Tickets are \$110 per person. For reservations, contact the COCC Foundation at 541-318-3783.

A Meal of the Year corporate table for 10 is \$1,250.

For sponsorship opportunities or more information about these events, go to <http://foundation.cocc.edu/Events> and follow the links to Taste of the Town and Meal of the Year.

Marjorie Smith

Sustaining her passion for learning through scholarships

Marjorie Smith, who lived most of her 100 years in an apartment originally above her father's hardware store on Wall Street in downtown Bend, bequeathed her estate to both the Central Oregon Community College Foundation and the Deschutes Historical Museum. She established five COCC scholarships, each honoring a member of her family. She planned for the proceeds of the sale of her 1958 Chevrolet to support these endowments. As a former struggling COCC student in the mid-1950s and later a teacher in Bend for 22 years, she wanted to make the dream of education come true for many.

The Chevy, complete with the original key chain with a three-digit phone number, was first moved from its tight quarters in her apartment's Brooks Street garage to be carefully hand-detailed by Mark Cahalane from Precision Hand Detailing.

From there it was moved again for engine work. Harry Fagan, who has restored 11 cars, was able to get it running again. In an interesting twist, Harry attended COCC automotive technology classes taught by Robert Maxwell in the late 1950s.

Clean and running, Marjorie's car was displayed at the Flashback Cruz in early August.

A collector from Canada made the winning bid of \$6,000 on Aug. 8. The deal was finalized on Sept. 24 when he came to Bend to pick up the car. A passionate aficionado of vintage cars, he likes to meticulously restore them to their original glory. Harry and Bev Fagan stored the car in the interim and welcomed the buyer as their guest overnight when he came to get the car.



Harry Fagan works on Marjorie Smith's 1958 Chevrolet.



The 1958 Chevrolet has been purchased by a vintage-car collector who specializes in meticulous restoration. The proceeds of the sale will help fund an endowment to benefit COCC students.

"It is so heartwarming to see the interest, care and community spirit for Marjorie Smith's car," said Carrie Coil, who oversaw the restoration and sale process. "The proceeds from the car will be helping many students reach their dreams through the endowments that Marjorie Smith so generously created. Her passion for learning will be passed on."

A special thank you to the following:

- Guy Prinzing from Just Used Cars
- Keith, Russell and Larry from Consolidated Towing
- Mark Cahalane from Precision Hand Detailing
- Tom Collier from Classic Motor Car Company
- Kelly Cannon-Miller from Deschutes County Historical Society
- Ken Mays from COCC Automotive Department
- Central Oregon Classic Chevy Club
- Harry Fagan



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Feast at the Old Mill Fundraiser

A corporate ethic

Last September Anthony's at the Old Mill District hosted its seventh annual "Feast at the Old Mill," a benefit for Central Oregon Community College's culinary program. The event raised more than \$17,000 and sold out the main floor of the restaurant.

In recognition of its philanthropic efforts to benefit the COCC Foundation's support of the culinary program, the restaurant was named one of three state recipients of the Restaurant Neighbor Award by the Oregon Restaurant and Lodging Association.

"The spirit and generosity behind 'The Feast' events embody the best of community and the best of Central Oregon."

— Jim Weaver

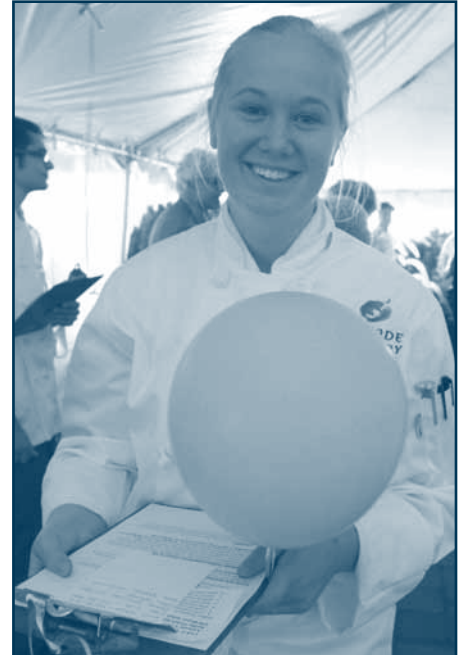
"We so appreciate what Anthony's at the Old Mill is making possible and congratulate the restaurant on this well-deserved award," said Jim Weaver, executive director of the COCC Foundation. "The spirit and generosity behind 'The Feast' events embody the best of community and the best of Central Oregon."

"Our restaurant team is delighted to be recognized through this award and to bring more awareness to the outstanding culinary program

at COCC," said Budd Gould, president and owner of Anthony's Restaurants.

Anthony's is committed to being a part of each of the local communities where its restaurants are located. Giving back is both a corporate ethic and Budd Gould's personal philosophy.

The restaurant, located in the Old Mill District, specializes in fresh Northwest seafood, Northwest wines and local microbrews.



COCC culinary student Rebekah Gerdes assists at the Feast.



Chefs at Anthony's Restaurant prep the next course.



Carol Mason

Belief that COCC is the door to opportunity

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them, she found herself inspired by their uphill struggles to attend college and the impressive things they told her about their instructors and the College.

One former tenant, Kyle Price, did remodeling work and painting at her various properties. “She loved the process of remodeling because design was a huge part of her life,” remembers Kyle.

Carol also hired Kyle to barbecue for her parties. “She loved my cooking and that inspired me to follow my interest in food and attend the Cascade Culinary Institute. She was really excited that I was going back to school.”

Kyle will finish his associate degree in Culinary Arts in March and will continue working as the executive chef at Maragas Winery.

When Carol died this summer, she bequeathed her real estate and plane to the COCC Foundation. The nearly \$3 million-dollar gift is possibly the largest donation given to the College to date, according to Jim Weaver, the Foundation’s executive director.

“I wasn’t surprised that she left her estate to COCC,” comments Kyle. “She believed that school was the doorway to opportunity and a solution to many of society’s problems.”

Mason requested that the College use the apartments to benefit students. The proceeds from the sale of the plane will be used to purchase a flight simulator for the school’s aviation program.

The Mill Inn, the pots-and-pans exterior showcasing Carol’s eclectic style, will continue to operate. Revenues from the bed and breakfast will contribute to an endowment for student scholarships.



Kyle Price, one of Mason’s former tenants, is a COCC student working as the executive chef at Maragas Winery.

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Jungers Culinary Center grand opening



Nearly 300 guests celebrated the grand opening of the Jungers Culinary Center on Oct. 19. Guests enjoyed informative culinary demonstrations by Chef Darwin and Chef Fritz and remarks from Dr. Middleton and Chef Fritz. This year's fall enrollment is up 48 percent to 167 students from 113 last fall term.

During winter term, the Elevation dining room will be open for lunch on Fridays only. Dinner service is offered Wednesday through Friday with seatings from 6 to 7 p.m. Reservations are recommended. For menus, schedule and reservation information, visit elevationbend.com.