# DEEP SPRINGS COLLEGE

ANNUAL REPORT

For

2012.



### Letter from the Chair

David Hitz DS'80

Coeducation has obviously been a big issue for the Trustees over the past two years. The latest Court ruling prohibits us from going coed this year, but TDS has reaffirmed our belief that coeducation is the right educational policy for the future of the college. We will continue to pursue a legal path toward that end.

I am happy to report that it has not dominated life in the Valley. Some students – especially the Student Trustees – have deeply engaged the topic. Others have ignored it. This is a complicated situation, and I am pleased with how David Neidorf has run the school as best we know how for the students we have today. During our regular board visits to the ranch and in our numerous interactions with students, staff, and faculty, I see how the students remain wonderfully focused on the responsibilities and challenges before them day-to-day. Feed runs, committees, all-night reading, and Public Speaking still fill up the weeks. They are supported by a core faculty that is fully experienced with the Deep Springs model, and a dynamic group of ranch staff that in the past year has engaged student participation in ever-increasing ways.

So, even as the college progresses into the future, it's still actively and successfully rooted to its essential principles of academics, labor and self-governance. And as the following pages show, the financial health of the college continues to improve – for which we are grateful to all of you who contribute.

As of fall, 2012 we have three new board members. All three are familiar to many in the Deep Springs community. Michael Kearney is an alum from the class of 1969. Michael has been active in alumni outreach and fundraising for many years. He has worked in technology companies like DEC and Cadence, and is now doing research in "computational linguistics". What does that mean? If you saw IBM's Watson computer win at Jeopardy, you have seen computational linguistics in action.

Alan Kaufman is an alum from 1967, and worked extensively on the DS ranch after departing the SB. He is a small business owner and a large animal veterinarian on Maui. He has cared for everything from Aardvarks to Zebras. Perhaps most relevant for Deep Springs is Alan's thorough experience with farm animals and agriculture.

Ross Peterson was President of Deep Springs from 2004 to 2007. Before that he taught at Deep Springs numerous times. He is a professor at Utah State University. Until recently Ross was Vice-President of Advancement for Utah State, and he successfully completed a \$400 million fund raising campaign for the university. I am pleased to see people with such a breadth of experience and such deep history with Deep Springs join the board. This is always useful, but it seems especially important as the college enters a period of transition to its second century of operation.

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## Faculty and Academic Calendar 2011-2012

### Summer Seminar, 2011

Questions of Ethics: Genealogy of the Divine

David Arndt, Julie Park

#### Fall, 2011

Art & Politics in 20th Century China De-Nin Lee

Differential Calculus Sam Laney

Hegel & the Politics of Recognition Liberalism & Its Discontents Joel Schlosser

History & Future of Infectious Diseases Mathematical Modeling of Populations Amity Wilczek

Literature Seminar: Imagined Women Plato Seminar

History of Geometrical Optics Brother Kenneth Cardwell

Jennifer Rapp

Introduction to Automotive Mechanics
Padraic MacLeish

Public Speaking
David Neidorf & Jennifer Rapp

### **Winter**, 2012

Comparative Literature: Odyssey & Ulysses

Brother Kenneth Cardwell

Euclidean & Non-Euclidean Geometry
David Neidorf

Evolution of Conflict & Cooperation Field Biology of Joshua Trees Amity Wilczek

Foundations in Biochemistry Max Greenfeld

Future of Democracy On the Human Condition: Arendt and Her Interlocutors Joel Schlosser Shakespeare's Problem Plays Patrick Gray

Modes of Black Thought On Making Jennifer Rapp

Public Speaking
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### Spring, 2012

Beginning Drawing Anna Hepler

Introduction to Geology Jack Holt

Social Structure and Personality Melvin Kohn



## Deep Springs Staff 2011-2012

Donna Blagdan

Cook & BH Manager

(from Jun/12)

Jill Brewer

Librarian / Development

(from Sep/12)

Brother Kenneth Cardwell *Dean* 

Kerrie Coborn Librarian/Registrar (to Aug/12)

Jonathan DeWeese Cook & BH Manager (to Jun/12) Mark Dunn
Farm Manager
(to Dec/11)

Jacob Goldstone Eamon Heberlein White Mtn. Cowboys (summer 2012)

Tim Henderson Cyril Malle-Barlow Fish Lake Cowboys (summer 2012)

Janice Hunter Ranch Manager (from Jan/12) Harper Keehn Farm Assistant (summer 2012)

Jill Lawrence
Director of Operations
(from Jul/12)

Padraic MacLeish Maintenance Manager

Shelby MacLeish Garden Manager (from Jan/12)

Karen Mitchell Garden Manager (to Dec/11) Ken Mitchell Ranch Manager (to Dec/11)

David Neidorf President

Adam Nyborg Farm Manager (from Feb/12)

Iris Pope Bookkeeper David Welle

Vice-President / Operations
Fundraising Director
(to Aug/12)

### Letter from the President

David Neidorf

Every year at Deep Springs brings some change; animals, fences, vehicles, sometimes even whole herds and buildings come and go. New visiting faculty members teach in the valley, long-term staff members leave the community and are replaced by new ones. At a slower pace, labor positions are abandoned (laundry man) and added (cook). Self-governance structures change, usually in the direction of expanded scope (the recent addition of a Student Body member to the TDS Succession Committee). Most poignant of all, each year those of us who stay behind say good bye to the secondyear class as they move on

Deep Springs, as its long-term devotees know, is a resilient organism. I believe it has adapted thoughtfully and well to the varying demands on the attention and care of community over the last year. The year under report here (2011-2012) presented us with two unrelated but significant changes; six staff members moved on to new jobs or graduate programs, and the board voted in September of 2011 to begin a transition to coeducation.

In August of 2012, the college learned that Ken & Karen Mitchell (Ranch Manager and Garden Manager respectively), would be leaving over the winter along with their younger daughters Emily and Katie, to devote themselves to a religious mission. At the same time, Mark Dunn DS'99 (Farm Manager) and his wife Callie Mitchell Dunn moved on to manage a start-up alfalfa operation in rural Nevada. In the spring, Jon Dewey DeWeese DS'07 (Cook and BH Manager) resigned to begin a long-planned PhD program in nursing, finally Kerrie Coborn (Librarian and Registrar) and David Welle

DS'80 (VP for Operations and Development Director) moved to the upper mid-West to live closer to their families. (David continues with the college's development operation.) All of these staff members have made important and even essential contributions to Deep Springs over the years, often unsung. We will miss them, and we look forward to hearing from them in the future.

We— the staff, faculty, and students together-tried hard to make sure that despite these changes, that ongoing college life continued apace, that the educational experience of the current year didn't lose focus or seem less vivid under the color of a future change. It seemed important to us all that a future transition to coeducation not overshadow hard and joyful work and the meaning of the current year. The searches for new staff members created extra work for the Student Body, but it was the kind of extra work that they came to Deep Springs to do; meaningful participation in shaping the character of the next phase of community life.

I have been told that Randy Reid, DS'49 and Deep Springs Dean/ Director from 1969 through 1976, used to warn the community against allowing Deep Springs to become, in his phrase, "an alumni theme-park of the mind." When I first heard that remark I thought it referred to the very natural desire of all alumni to imagine that life at the college remains much like it was when they were students, to measure its contemporary state against that baseline, and to regret changes such as new irrigation and baling systems, (to pick a minor example), or the open presence of gay students and staff members within the community (to pick a significant one).

But after five years as President, I have come to hear a very different resonance in Randy's image. It's true that theme-parks offer consumers an artificially-constructed experience of life at some other place or time, but there is very often a great deal to be gained from an education that takes up the best features of an outmoded way of life. The emphasis I hear now in his warning is less about the allure of another place and time, and more about the danger of artificiallyconstructed environments, environments that lack the bite and the significance of reality.

Recently Deep Springs entertained a visit from a Chinese man engaged in graduate study of American methods of higher education at UCLA. "I can see that membership in a small selfgoverning democracy seems very satisfying," he said to me when we spoke. "But isn't it really a misleading pose, to pretend you can train a leadership class by helping them develop the individual and communal virtues of the American Frontier? Since we live in an age of mass industrialized societies, doesn't governance require the large-scale and expert imposition of legal systems and technocratic management, not deliberative democracy?"

I admitted that in some cases, even many, he may be right. But the need of a society for experts doesn't mean that individual men and women should limit their lives and their educations to expertise. Especially when "the system" grows more necessary and more intrusive at once, it is important to know that it is, in various ways, optional. The modes of life demanded by modern mass society and its educational divisions don't encompass all of what's worthy of respect and cultivation in human life.

## Letter from the President

David Neidorf

Technocracy will be less regrettable if those who implement it want to be more than technocrats.

"I guess so," he replied, manifestly unconvinced. "But still, how can you stand living in such isolation? I would miss music too much."

"We have a lot of music here, I said. "It's just that we have to make it ourselves."

"I like going to the symphony," harrumphed our visitor.

As our conversation continued, I realized that for him, the Los Angeles Philharmonic is a theme-park, in Randy Reid's sense of the term. In his imagination, or rather in its absence, the symphony seems to have sprung fully-formed from the thigh of some municipal Zeus. But no Deep Springer would make this mistake. Having spent two years in an isolated setting where those who want to see musical performances must first cultivate their talent and then get moving and organize a concert, they know instinctively that an organization like the Philharmonic - irrelevant to the prosaic material needs of mass society, but one of the marks of distinction that redeems urban and industrial life – requires that individuals risk the effort to begin it and provide the gift of hard work to maintain it.

It turns out that the L.A. Philharmonic was founded in 1919, just two years after Deep Springs, by a western industrialist from Montana who, like L.L. Nunn, had been a business lawyer in his youth and a mining executive in middle age. Unlike Nunn, William Clark played the violin. In the American west at the end of the Nineteenth Century, if you wanted to run a restaurant, you did what L.L.

Nunn did in Colorado; felled the timber and built it yourself. The same went for a lonely violinist in Los Angeles.

Those conditions still pertain at Deep Springs; thanks to its small size and isolation, if you want something—be it a musical performance, a treehouse behind the dorm, or an improved Student Body review process—here you can, with perfect reason, feel responsible for doing it yourself. After all, you know everyone else here, so you know that it makes no sense to wait for someone else to do it. And much of the time, if you can stick to it through the tedious stages, or can convince and mobilize your fellow community members, you discover yourself equal to the

This means that isolation and small community size, although they are throwbacks to an earlier age, are not theme-parkish in the negative sense, that of an artificial consumer product experience. Instead, they make evi-

dent and allow the lessons of direct engagement with some of the stark realities of all human communities, realities that are often hidden, especially to the young, by more mainstream and systematized levels of "civilization."

For all of this, Deep Springs has relied on your support, and we are all of us most grateful. What you support is all the more significant because it has defied institutional fashion and remained small. L.L. Nunn's insight – that the virtues and attitudes he had cultivated building businesses on the smaller-scale of the American frontier would be endangered by industrialization, and yet as the years passed would become all the more important to maintain, cultivate, and empower in the service of humanity – has stood the test of a century at Deep Springs. Because of your help it is poised to play an even more important role in a post-industrial second century.

Thank you for your support.



Ralph Flanders & Bennet Bergman DS'11 introduce their performance at what has become a recent DSPAC tradition: open mic night on St. Valentine's Day.

## Letter from the Student Body

Matt Marsico DS'11 - SB President, Terms I & II

The departure of DS10—and the impending arrival of DS12-was attended by a curious and potent mixture of mourning and enthusiasm. This was manifest in a labor-intensive redecoration of the dorm, and numerous meetings of DS11 over the course of the break, to figure out what it was we hoped for from the coming year. How would we ensure that we were open to criticism, for example? What is or should be required of us as second-years that differed from our first year?

As soon as DS12 arrived. though, the energy of the place shifted dramatically. DS12 brought with them an exciting energy and commitment to class, labor, and the project of SB.

The challenge of selfgovernance—the challenge of clarifying and unifying ideals, hopefully resulting in their actualization—often seems an impossible one, especially given the variety of conceptions of the place that the twenty-five of us have, and the depth of many of those conceptions. Compromise becomes crucial. Despite the frustrations this process often brings with it, there has been a palpable and spirited sense of commitment to the project that has made the struggle feel exciting and relevant.

For example, perhaps the central question of Term 1 was isolation. This question was raised in a number of forms: we spent several weeks discussing a proposed week-long breach for the purposes of religious observation, a conversation which led us to questions of our relationship with the by-laws, definitions of both "religion" and "observation," as well as "community" and, eventually, "good," countless brain-splats (i.e. posted position papers), and several 6+ hour SB meetings.

Academics and labor have also carried on with what could perhaps be called the usual vigor. Joel Schlosser and Richard Mahon's summer seminar course, Foundings and Refoundings, consumed much of our energy Term 1, and the highly political subject matter found its way into casual conversation and argument, as well as SB meetings. Though more diffuse, this academic excitement has carried over into the normal semesters: reading groups on topics from Wittgenstein to Plato's Phaedrus to Romantic literature (we read both kinds here: philosophy and literature) are commonplace, and what's being talked about in class often finds its way into public speaking and mealtime discussions.

Members of this year's student body have also demonstrated a clear and deep passion for many of the activities of labor. Perhaps the largest project of the early portion of this year involved the construction of a new greenhouse. After numerous labor hours, including a full-SB labor party, the "surprisingly warm" greenhouse was constructed, just in time for the chill of autumn. Between this, cattle drives, preparation for Thanksgiving dinner, and all of the requirements of normal labor, the students have certainly been keeping busy on the labor front.

Beyond the work of the formal three pillars, social life at Deep Springs has thrived in myriad excellent ways. Numerous movie screenings, the aforementioned reading groups, and other extracurricular activities have brought the entire community closer. Jill Lawrence, new director of operations, has led a number of groups on hiking and climbing trips; the Brewer-Nyborgs host a weekly craft night; students and staff can be seen at all hours of the night typing or reading in the Boardinghouse.

### Deep Springs Student Body 2012-2013

David Atkinson Keenan Lantz Chevy Chase, MD Bennet Bergman Chicago, IL Michael Byars Parker, CO Cold Springs, NY Rhys Dubin Los Angeles, CA Ralph Flanders

Mt. Pleasant, MI

Felix Froms Bollnas, Sweden

Caleb Hoffman Kearney, MO

Burlington, VT Daniel Leibovitz

Toronto, ON, Canada Nicholas Marino

Matthew Marsico

Charlotte, NC Isaac Stafstrom

Madison, WI

Philippe Chlenski Chicago, IL

Jonathan DeBorst St. Rosa St. Domingo,

Costa Rica

Abdramane Diabate

Kati, Mali

Jacob Greenberg Encino, CA

Saarthak Gupta Aurora, IL

**Tanner Horst** Kill Devil Hills, NC

Jackson Melnick Crested Butte, CO Miles Mitchell Redmond, WA

Zachary Robinson Omaha, NE

John Stuart Grass Valley, CA

**Bach Tong** Philadelphia, PA

Lucas Tse Hong Kong

Pablo Uribe Pacific Palisades, CA



Class of 2011

Standing: Caleb Hoffman, Felix Froms, Matthew Marsico, Nick Marino, David Atkinson, Bennet Bergman. Kneeling: Daniel Leibovitz, Isaac Staffstrom. Seated: Michael Byars, Rhys Dubin, Ralph Flanders, Keenan Lantz



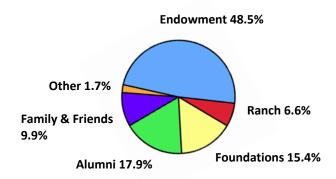
Class of 2012

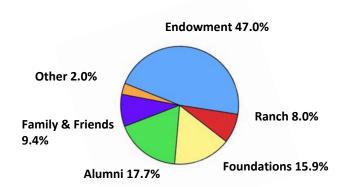
Back Row: Philippe Chlenski, Zachary Robinson, Jackson Melnick, Tanner Horst, Pablo Uribe, John Stuart, Jonathan DeBorst, Middle: Abdramane Diabate, Front Row: Saarthak Gupta, Miles Mitchell, Jacob Greenberg, Bach Tang, Lucas Tse

Operating Revenue	2010-2011	2011-2012
Annual Operations Fund	\$666,592	\$685,562
Program Enrichment Gifts Utilized	\$20,198	\$21,071
Investments Utilized	\$746,412	\$769,776
Annual Fund Reserve Utilized	\$0	\$0
Other Income	\$5,527	\$28,263
Ranch/Farm Sales	<u>\$101,658</u>	<u>\$132,398</u>
Total Operating Revenue	\$1,540,387	\$1,637,070

### **FY2011 Operating Revenue**

### **FY2012 Operating Revenue**

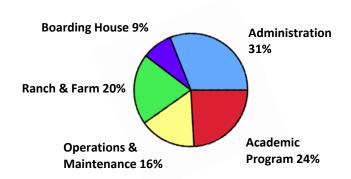


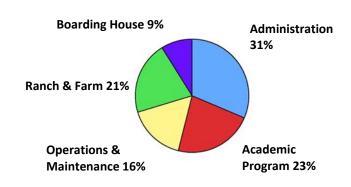


Operating Expenses	2010-2011	2011-2012
Instructional & Student Services	\$363,692	\$353,710
Administration	\$479,399	\$494,492
Boarding House	\$131,251	\$140,447
Ranch Operations	\$305,930	\$329,987
Operations and Maintenance	<u>\$246,797</u>	<u>\$258,877</u>
Total Operating Expenses	\$1,527,069	\$1,577,513
Surplus (Deficit)	\$13,318	\$59,557

### **FY2011 Operating Expenses**

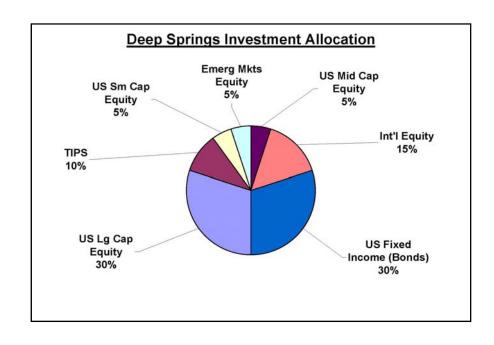
### **FY2012 Operating Expenses**





Net Assets (Accrual Basis)	2010-2011	2011-2012
Assets		
Total Investments	\$17,109,881	\$16,893,471
Property, Plant, and Equipment	\$9,411,880	\$9,308,376
Cash & Accounts Receivable	\$256,794	\$625,961
Contributions Receivable - Net	\$29,925	\$31,050
Trusts, Prepaid Expenses, Other Assets	<u>\$328,799</u>	<u>\$299,168</u>
Total Assets	\$27,137,279	\$27,158,026
<u>Liabilities</u>		
Accounts Payable	\$28,966	\$47,707
Accrued Liabilities and Taxes	\$55,083	\$102,667
Telluride Assoc. Minority Share of LLC	\$1,246,659	\$1,199,521
Payable Under Unitrusts	<u>\$3,541</u>	<u>\$7,937</u>
Total Liabilities	\$1,334,249	\$1,357,832
Net Assets	\$25,803,030	\$25,800,194
Investments	2010-2011	2010-2011
III VIGINIANI	2010-2011	2010-2011
Restricted Endowment	\$10,536,483	\$10,132,165
Unrestricted Endowment	<u>\$6,573,398</u>	\$6,761,306
Total Investments	\$17,109,881	\$16,893,471

### **Deep Springs Investment Policy**



The Trustees of Deep Springs maintain an investment policy that is conservative compared to the typical standards of college endowments: 60% equities and 40% domestic fixed income securities.

This chart shows the sub-groups of stocks and bonds established by the policy. Allocations are rebalanced quarterly. Funds are held and managed in accordance with TDS policy by State Street Global Advisors, under the direction of the investment committee established by the trustees.

The goal of the TDS Investment Policy is to maximize both overall return and available operating funds, while maintaining prudent levels of risk and preserving the purchasing power of endowment income in perpetuity. Investment decisions are made using a long-term planning horizon of 25 years.

## Looking Back: 1960s Alumni on Lives of Service

Although there are less than seven hundred fifty living alumni of Deep Springs, their careers display a wide array of approaches to LL Nunn's 'life of service'. Each year, we wish to spotlight a handful of alumni from different eras. Here are three more whose efforts we acknowledge and applaud.

#### Michael Cravey DS'65

Michael discovered Deep Springs at the age of 16 when his high school counselor gave him a brochure and suggested it. Michael's Dad encouraged him as well (and noted the scholarship). He left school after his junior year, came to Deep Springs in the summer of 1965 and completed high school requirements by correspondence.

Michael remembers feeling lucky to be at DS and found it a mind-opening experience coming from the small town Texas gulf coast. The academic environment was invigorating and he focused heavily on languages which was his primary interest. He spent an entire year as dairy boy and also remembers enjoying working in the garden, a personal pursuit he continues to this day. He found the working climate with Barney Childs, the dean, and Dick Strong, the ranch manager to be both good-natured and respectful.

After two years in the Valley, Michael returned to Texas and took his Bachelors degree in linguistics from UT Austin. Career prospects at the height of the Vietnam War seemed to be in academia or the CIA, neither of which appealed. In a crisis of confidence – and through conversations with friends and family, Michael developed an earnest commitment to conscientious objector status. Instead of being drafted, he served two years in a hospital performing civilian service. He made new friends and became very interested in human relations and physiology. It was that positive experience in a time of war where he discovered an avocation for helping people heal.

He completed nurse's training and served as an RN in cardiac care for 12 years. Appreciative patients frequently urged him to become a full-fledged doctor and he eventually entered medical school at the age of 37.

After completing his residency in Galveston, Michael searched specif-

### Stephen Noll DS'64

Stephen originally planned to attend the Ivy League for college but when his mother (who worked at the same Washington D.C. law firm as Bill Allen DS'42) showed him a brochure of Deep Springs, he became intrigued and headed west in what he calls his "fling" at 1960s idealism. During his two years, he enjoyed a number of close and intense friendships in the SB and fondly remembers serving as feed man and butcher. Among other chores he also volunteered for the quasi-official position of SB campus barber and gave his first customer, Dean Barney Childs, an accidental crewcut. Academically, he focused on the humanities and was particularly influenced by the 17<sup>th</sup> century metaphysical poets, including George Herbert, who influenced his spiritual quest.

By his own admission, Stephen recalls being "kind of a jerk" when it came to asserting adherence from the SB to Nunnian principles and left after two years feeling humbled and wiser. More significantly, the "witness of creation" he experienced in the desert valley helped change him from agnostic to believer, and he was baptized in the Episcopal church when he transferred to Cornell and Telluride House.

After completing his BA in history, Stephen moved to Berkeley where he received two Master's degrees in biblical studies. From 1967 to 1973, he was active in Telluride Association but resigned after being ordained in the Episcopal ministry. After ordination and five years of parish service in Northern Virginia, he moved with his family to Manchester UK, where he received his Ph.D.

In the late 1970s, Stephen helped establish the Trinity Episcopal School for Ministry near Pittsburgh, where he served for 21 years as professor and academic dean. In 2000, he joined another education start-up, this time in Uganda. Serving as Vice Chancellor (President) for a decade, he led Uganda

#### Eric Swanson DS'65

When Eric learned about Deep Springs from a friend of his fathers who had attended Telluride House, he was taken with the idea that here was a place he could immerse himself in the examination of new ideas. So he left high school at sixteen and began nearly three years in the Valley. He imagined – and found – a community that challenged and nurtured intellectual inquiry but also imparted valuable practical skills.

He recalls an uphill struggle in proving himself with the SB, because his Ap-Com selection had been contentious. But, David Mossner graciously gave him support and the third-year man's 'seal of approval'. After a summer in the Boardinghouse, Eric served as feed man for a full year; his favorite work was raising new chickens and butchering. He also enjoyed being SB driver, and served as SB trustee. His most challenging assignment: labor commissioner, where he had to manage significant tensions between the student body and the ranch manager.

After DS, Eric transferred to Berkeley with a TA scholarship. He was very cognizant of the current social/political issues and decided to pursue economics and public policy. He became politically active on campus and within the economics department; a commitment he feels originated at Deep Springs: "You grapple with issues because you are a citizen. Direct participation comes from your own training and knowledge."

In 1970, Eric and other members of Berkeley Branch recruited Jack Schaar to teach at Deep Springs, and Eric spent that summer at DS as the TASP factotum. Following graduation, he worked as a researcher with a small Seattle firm, providing economic analysis to assist regional jurisdictions in setting economic policy. He remained active in Telluride Association, including chair of TASP Board and two years as TA president.

When Eric's wife Devon entered graduate school in Buffalo, New York,



Humanities Chair Jennifer Rapp leads a course on ethics in the Museum with David Neidorf.

#### **CRAVEY** (continued)

fically for a rural position in family practice, something he knew he preferred. He found it in Marble Falls, Texas.

Michael finds the human interaction of the work to be most fulfilling. A key part of his job is simply listening closely to people, hearing their stories. He emphasizes that helping individuals in need is a great feeling; it feels good to be part of a society that takes care of its community members, and there is immediate gratification from people for the service that you perform.

Rural communities have a difficult time keeping medical professionals. Michael has continued practice in his small town for over twenty years, helping grow a series of clinics with multiple specialists and eventually aiding in a deal that will soon result in construction of a new hospital in town – a first.

Michael sees the idea of service as congruent with nursing and medicine. Having cut back his regular hours to "semi-retirement", Michael pursues personal interests and volunteers his medical skills, notably at a local clinic that aides indigent and abused adults from the area. Pondering Deep Springs' influence in his career, he notes "the obvious answer is the Nunnian ideals of life of service."

Michael also highlights the value of the deeply enduring friendships he made at Deep Springs; people who he still sees and talks with frequently. This is one of the enduring elements of the college: a solid social foundation.

#### **NOLL** (continued)

Christian University from its brand-new beginnings to become the first accredited private university in Uganda, currently with over 10,000 students.

In 2010, Stephen retired from the University and he and his wife Peggy returned to their home in Pennsylvania. However, he has continued his work in Uganda, returning frequently as he directs commercial and residential development of a square mile of property owned by the University "as a kind of endowment." Although he now lives back in Pennsylvania, this continuing work keeps him returning to Africa on a regular basis. He continues to write and publish articles on theological issues, education and biblical studies, and is active in the international Anglican Church.

Throughout his career, Stephen has seen his work focused not only on education but also on the creation and building of communities. He recognizes the origins of his ambition within his experience at Deep Springs, and sees such work as congruent with the idealism and principles of L.L. Nunn. Building institutions and community comes through having purpose and vision in one's life. He reports frequently urging incoming students in Uganda: "Your college experience sets the tone for the rest of your life. It sets your intellectual convictions. It forms you as a citizen and a person."

#### **SWANSON** (continued)

he relocated with her. Prisoners' cases from the infamous Attica prison riot were coming to trial just as Eric arrived in 1974. He volunteered to assist the defense with statistical analysis of potential jurors. His work focused around timely issues of poverty, crime, and social justice and expanded into general analysis of the jury selection process, revealing how the system skewed jury demographics with discriminatory results. The group eventually formed the National Jury Project.

In 1979, while completing graduate studies in economics, Eric took a research position with the World Bank. He helped build the development data department for the bank's chief economist to facilitate member countries in the best use of vast stores of economic data they had on issues ranging from health to labor to resources.

He served two terms as head of the World Bank's staff association (a sort of internal union for both managers and rank-and-file) and sees his efforts as another manifestation of his DS experience - representing the interests of his fellow employees, while also helping the institution live up to its ideals. Eric devoted over three decades at the World Bank. In later years, he shifted focus to publishing and making data more available online; two flagship products were the Atlas of Global Development and World Development Indicators. Though now retired, he remains active and is currently setting up an NGO to support public access to economic and statistical data that is not readily available in developing countries.

He is particularly proud of assisting with creation of the Millennium Development Goals, a set of statistical targets agreed by all the members of the United Nations in 2000. "Monitoring the MDGs has shown where development programs are succeeding and where they are failing. And, not incidentally, the process has increased demand for reliable social and economic statistics worldwide." Eric finds the most rewarding aspect of his career to be his working relationships with other people, sharing ideas and solving problems. Working for a global community involves the same sense of responsibility and commitment to helping others that Deep Springs ingrained 47 years ago.

## Fundraising Report 2012

The bottom line (or is it headline?) on annual giving for the fiscal and academic year ending June, 2012 is that we hit our targets for annual operations. Doing so allowed the college's budget to remain 'in the black' for the fourth straight year.

At the beginning of the year, the college set a goal of \$685,000 in gifts to annual operations. With the able help of new contributors in the final weeks, we crossed that threshold as the year closed. Incidentally, \$687,000 is the 10yr trailing average for contributions to the annual fund, so I feel that we may have finally turned the corner from the Great Recession.

We saw modest improvements on several fronts, beginning with the grand total which increased \$32,000 over the previous year. Total alumni giving was up \$27,000 over 2011 (and also above the 3yr trailing average—see page 17.) Foundation gifts improved as well, recovering 10% to previous year levels with the help of a major Anonymous gift and substantial support from The Adele M. Thomas Charitable Foundation, the Sahan Daywi Foundation, the Blue Oak Foundation and Guidance Foundation. We're indebted to them all.

The overall number of individual contributors held nearly steady (435 as opposed to 448 last year) even as due to a drop in individual gifts from friends and parents (209 in 2011 as opposed to 180 in 2012). This marks the second year of declining participation among friends and family from the record year of 2010, but participation is still above average for the decade.

I want to make a special tip of the hat to our 1940s alumni. Once again, over 50% of their generation participated, accounting for 40% of all alumni gifts. I'd also like to acknowledge the improved participation of alumni from the 1970s and 1990s.

We continue to pursue gifts to the Deep Springs endowment. We saw again this year how valuable estate planning is to the college's future. We received bequests in excess of \$800,000 from the estates of Ted Rust DS'29 and Winnifred & Roy Pierce DS'40. Ted remained actively interested in DS right

up to his 100th birthday. And, though Roy passed away in 2004, his widow Winnifred regularly followed developments at Deep Springs until her own passing in early 2012. Their loving support went not only to increase the endowment but also to improve our reserves for capital projects around cam-

As the table at right illustrates, we are within striking distance of the goal established by TDS for the Centennial Campaign. Improving our endowment funds through the campaign begun five years ago has made the difference in allowing us to set reasonable goals for gifts to the annual fund and still cover our operating expenses. This effort has been perhaps the single most effective tool in securing the college's financial health. I urge anyone who has not yet done so to make a pledge or contribution to the endowment however they

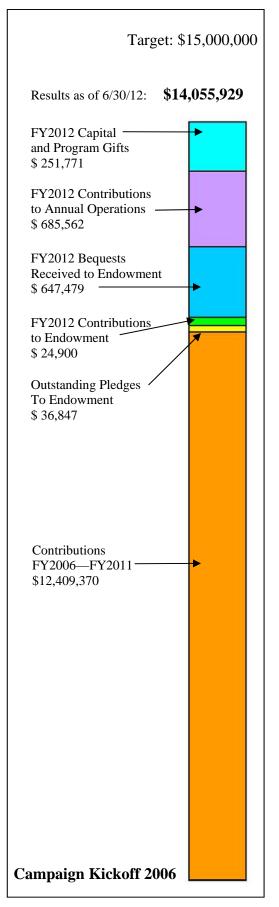
Perhaps then, the bottom line for fundraising is: "steady as she goes." DS has weathered the economic storm intact, due primarily to conservative management and dedicated support from so many individuals. Maintenance of both those elements is critical.

This is my fourth year as fundraising director. What I've learned in the effort is that it takes input and effort from nualumni participation increased. This was merous people. I'm grateful to the many class chairs who have stepped up to help with calling and writing letters, to alumni and family who have shared their homes to host gatherings, and to the many individuals who have simply called or written encouragement.

> On page 20 of this report, we've highlighted the years of commitment that contributors have made to Deep Springs. Like me, I hope you'll be encouraged by the evident fervor of our supporters and renew your own.

**Note:** After writing this report, DS has since received a generous bequest of \$1 million to the endowment, putting us over our goal! We don't have audited figures at this time, but will follow up this summer with a full report on the successful Centennial Campaign and the way forward from here. Many thanks to everyone contributing!

### Centennial Campaign



Giving to Deep Springs (Cash Basis)	2010-2011	2011-2012
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Annual Operations Fund	£410.504	¢ 420.055
Alumni, Family, & Friends	\$410,594	\$420,855
Foundations	\$234,869	\$263,353
Other Gifts	<u>\$7,383</u>	<u>\$1,354</u>
Total	\$652,846	\$685,562
Program Enrichment Gifts	\$15,863	\$13,767
Restricted Gifts to Support Coeducation Transition & Litigation	*	\$226,000
Capital Giving		
Contributions to Endowment	\$1,190,752	\$672,379
Other Capital Gifts	\$412,461	\$238,004
Campaign Expenses	<u>(\$78,920)</u>	(\$75,161)
Total	\$1,524,293	\$835,222
<u>Total Gifts</u>	\$2,271,922	\$1,835,712

## State of the Endowment 2012

The College's endowment continues to improve, thanks to the many contributors (listed in the following pages) who have made Deep Springs' financial stability a priority in their charitable giving. Recent estate gifts have further secured the college's future and despite volatility in the investment markets, Deep Springs' conservative investment strategy is paying off in the long run.



### Contributors 7/1/11—6/30/12 (Fiscal 2012)

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Alumni Class Chairs are highlighted in bold

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Tents dot the Upper Ranch for the 1990s alumni reunion over Labor Day weekend, 2011. More than 35 alumni from the decade attended, many with their families.

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### Contributing to Deep Springs

There are multiple ways to assure the financial health of the college as we approach our Centennial Anniversary in 2017. Contributing to Deep Springs is an investment in progressive education. There are four broad categories wherein we look for funding:

**Annual Operations**—contribution goes directly to pay salaries and expenses in the current fiscal year.

Endowment—provides stable long-term fund that generates income for college operations

Capital Expenditures—provides for specific one-time expenditures on large ticket items like vehicles and facility equipment.

**Program Enhancements**—provides for expenditures to enhance short-term and occasional educational programs.

#### **Cash Gifts**

Write your check payable to "Deep Springs College" and mail to our office.

#### **Credit Card Gifts**

Visit www.deepsprings.edu/contribute

and follow the "Network For Good" link to establish automated monthly credit card gifts.

### **Stock and Securities Gifts**

We accept direct transfers of stocks and securities. Please contact us first with details of your intended gift. We can then provide your brokerage firm or financial institution with the necessary account information. We need to go through these steps in order to properly track and account for your gift.

### **Matching Gifts**

Please ask your company or organization for information on matching gift eligibility and program limitations.

#### **Pledges**

If you feel unable to make a substantial gift today, you can also pledge now for gift payments in the future. This is a great way to establish future funding for the college. Download a pledge form at www.deepsprings.edu/contribute/giving.

### **Bequests and Planned Giving**

Consider naming Deep Springs as a beneficiary in your will, trust, or life insurance policy. We welcome and appreciate such remembrances. Please contact our office and we will provide you with the necessary documentation to record the bequest.

### **Bring a Friend**

Over the years, numerous individuals have given financially to Deep Springs even though they've never set foot in the valley. If there is someone you think we should get to know, please give us a call or bring them to one of our regional events.

### **Questions?**

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### Hitz Family Foundation renews match challenge to alumni

Last year, The Hitz Family Foundation offered to match 4-to-1 any increase join their classmates in giving every year in contributions by alumni class. The result: thirty four classes improved on their 3-year average and thereby gained the \$200,000 foundation gift for Deep Springs. Further, net alumni giving improved for the year by \$23,000—nearly a 10% increase on the trailing average. We're very grateful to all the alumni who contributed and especially appreciative to those who stepped up their efforts and encouraged their classmates.

Based on that success, The Hitz Family Foundation has renewed this special gift match challenge to Alumni again for the current fiscal year. But gifts must be received by June 30, 2013.

On average, 38% of alumni contribute to Deep Springs in any given year, but over 60% of alumni give in any three year period. To improve the yearly percentage, The Hitz Foundation will match 4-to-1 every dollar contributed by a given class (i.e. 1958 or 1975 or 1992, etc.) that is above that class' three-year average.

We're encouraging all alumni to to Deep Springs. Doing so will improve our ability to plan operating revenue from year to year and help assure stability in the college's finances. We greatly appreciate the Hitz Foundation's continuing commitment to supporting individual gifts to Deep Springs.



After spring roundup, Harper Keehn DS'10 moves cattle across Hwy 168 with other students.

### Why Does Labor Matter?

David Welle DS'80

—When he left Deep Springs last fall, VP David Welle gave each student a copy of Matthew B. Crawford's *Shopcraft as Soulcraft* as a farewell gift. The gift was illustrative of David's concern, as Director of Operations, for the significance of the college's labor program for its students. In response to a request from the student body, David also spoke at Public Speaking about the relevance of Crawford's themes to the educational program at Deep Springs. We have reproduced his remarks here. —David Neidorf

I'd like to talk about three things: isolation, manual labor, and moral order.

I've been rereading Matthew Crawford's book, Shop Class as Soul Craft - an Inquiry into the Value of Work. Mr. Crawford holds a PhD in Philosophy from University of Chicago and happens to make his living as a motorcycle mechanic. He makes a compelling case for what I will call the moral economy of manual labor. Among other things, he lays out how the practice of manual work, through its demand that you encounter the material world as it actually is, can lead to living well, in the fullest sense of the phrase. I think his line of reasoning can enliven what we do at Deep Springs. I won't be able to do it justice but, I would like to introduce you to it.

"For humans, tools point to the necessity of moral inquiry. Because Nature makes only ambiguous prescriptions for us, we are compelled to ask, what is good? If you give a young boy a hammer for the first time and watch his face you will see an awareness of this burden dawning on him." –p. 193

Present-day life consists of a great many versions of reality, technologically *represented* (re-presented) in readily accessible forms that strip away the means necessary to achieve the reality in the first place (movies, music, internet, consumer goods). While this isn't necessarily a bad thing generally, it can be deceptive, particularly when those means are put to use in more substantive ways (business, politics).

In mainstream society, there is often a veil between your experience of things and the mechanisms by which those things occur. The anonymity of the thousands of people on the street allows you to be anonymous and self-possessed. The obscure origins of the food you eat or the water you drink or the gas that heats your building all allow you to be merely a consumer. Decisions and opinions announced in the media are bereft of the evidence that informs them.

The sheer scale and complexity of full-blown society insulates us from the long tree of physical and intellectual logistics of our particular experience. The combination of anonymity with ready access to experience paradoxically can make the individual feel an abiding sense of autonomy, something they would interpret as self-reliance.

We live in an age that preaches self-empowerment as a creed, largely as expressed through participation in the market economy as consumers. But what of the moral economy of our actions? Where does autonomous behavior leave the development of our civil society?

Crawford argues for the use of *Agency* as opposed to *Autonomy*.

"The base character of human agency [is] that it arises only within concrete limits that are not of our own making. These limits need not be physical; the important thing is rather that they are external to the self. "-p.64

Self-reliance does not mean the "sovereign self" that assumes primacy through individual agency. True agency is activity directed toward some end that is affirmed 'good' by the actor, but this affirmation is not arbitrary or private. Rather, it flows from an apprehension of real features in the world and a subsequent comprehension of how to act accordingly.

Unlike an academic discussion, there are no terms to define or parse when the silverware tray has no forks, or the bucket is installed wrong on the riser pipe, or the battery has been drained on the truck. There is nothing theoretical about dirty pots and pans or a rain bird that won't spin. Yet, we still have to define "what is the good"?

Consider an Aristotelean view of happiness – Telos. A creature or thing is in its perfect state when its activity (or active condition) aligns with its purpose (or design). Of course, this is a theoretical state. But in the world of manual work, through an iterative process with genuine reality, we gradually arrive at definitions that serve.

"When the [worker's] activity is immediately situated within a community of use, it can be enlivened by...direct perception. The social character of work isn't separate from its internal standards; the work is improved through relationships with others." –p. 187

"Skilled manual labor entails a systematic encounter with the material world, precisely the kind of encounter that gives rise to scientific enquiry." –p.21

Repeatedly performing manual tasks that require doing – and performing them well – develops a cognitive habit whereby you recognize *both* the requirements and possibilities intrinsic to any given reality. This is true whether you're feeding animals, washing dishes, cleaning rooms, or setting wheel lines. Further, recognizing how these tasks function in the context of your social relations – personal, communal, societal – leads you to comprehend their moral component. You learn to recognize what needs doing, how it can and should be done, and why.

Most importantly, you recognize the agent of these requirements and possibilities is you.

Such agency requires experience through attentiveness. It results in discernment and judgment, and self-reliance seen in this perspective reaches its highest good when it is attentive to demands outside the self.

I believe that one of the reasons students choose to attend DS is a desire to see beneath the surface of things. The immediacy of DS is what allows the veil to drop away; it is a product of two elements: size and isolation. Intimacy is the organizing principle and isolation is the agent. Together, they strip away the layers of complexity, abstraction and distraction present in mainstream culture. They engender not *simplicity* per se, but *directness* of experience, and in that directness one can apply attentiveness. How do we maintain this directness of experience?

The question is not "What is

Isolation?" or "What should Isolation be?" Rather, the question is "Why Isolation?" Isolation is not only about staying inside the valley. It's about being focused on the task at hand. When we talk about isolation what we're really talking about is moral and cognitive focus.

Isolation focuses the attentive mind. The desert creates space for this attentiveness.

In the opening quote, Crawford proclaimed how the acquisition of tools demands a moral position of us. This holds true for all the tools of civilization; *every tool* from a hammer or plow to language and rhetorical skill – what are we to do with them?

What am I to do with this dishwasher, this mop? What am I to do with the responsibility to clean this kitchen or this bathroom or this field? What am I to do for the welfare of these animals? How should I fix this broken door, or boiler? What am I to do with this empathy I feel for my roommate?

For starters, you simply need to attend to them. Isolate your focus to the relationships you bear with the immediate non-self around you. See things in their own highest condition, not in the condition you see yourself.

"The mechanic and the doctor deal with failure every day, even if they are expert... This is because the things they fix are not of their own making, and are therefore never known in a comprehensive or absolute way. This experience of failure tempers the conceit of mastery; the doctor and the mechanic have daily intercourse with the world as something independent, and vivid awareness of the difference between self and non-self. Fixing things may be a cure for narcissism." –p. 81

Humans have devised all manner of traditions and technologies to create order that nourishes us physically, psychologically and emotionally. This world at Deep Springs is not entirely of our own making; we are the recipients of its benefits. This order requires actual maintenance.

Things need fixing no less than creating (and probably more so). Yet, it isn't enough to simply be focused outside yourself. It also matters how. To do so requires one to be open to the signs by which other things reveal themselves to you. There *is* a right way and a wrong way to do something. This disposition is at once cognitive and moral; you must be *attentive* as in conversation, rather than assertive.



Felix Froms, Daniel Liebowitz, & Ralph Flanders DS'11 discuss proper hay stacking technique at the dairy with Matthew Stolz DS'10. Or, perhaps they're talking Hegel.

"Acquiring practical wisdom, then, entails overcoming the self-absorption of the idiot, but also the tunnel vision of the curious man whose attention is indeed directed outside of himself, but who sees only his own [predetermined] goal." p.124

In the pursuit of knowledge and of action, we must be "disciplined by a circumspect regard for others." Our consciousness is informed by a genuine grasp of how our actions involve others. Admittedly, this is pretty rudimentary stuff, but it is fundamental to our moral economy and encountered in degrees of scale. Shall I leave my tools lying where they fall at the end of the day? Shall I park my car conveniently in the middle of the road or find somewhere to the side out of the way? Shall I fire everyone and sell off the company's assets or shall I lower the profit margin for the shareholders? Shall I invade Iraq or shall I conduct a police action in Afghanistan?

Moral cognition is a skill to be learned and absorbed deeply. It begins with something as simple as learning the proper condition of a tool, or a vehicle, or a room.

I've spoken primarily about encountering the material world in terms of failure. But, it has its corresponding positive: there is no denying a straight row of raked hay, the water flowing from a sprinkler head, a freezer full of newly-wrapped meat, or a kettle of hot delicious soup. The material world has its satisfactions, most particularly when engaged fully and with abundance of heart.

"The man who works recognizes his own product in the World that has been transformed by his work: he recognizes

himself in it, he sees his own human reality in it, he discovers and reveals to others the objective reality of his own humanity, of the originally abstract and purely subjective idea he has of himself." –p.14

People often question the wisdom of training for a 'life of service' by removing students away from society to the middle of nowhere. This is short-sighted. Deep Springs has all the basic functions and components of a living, breathing complex civilization; but on a scale where everything is accessible and the direct relationship to your actions and your compatriots is not attenuated by the distractions of modern society.

LL Nunn's experience of isolation as a young man was to live among pioneers and entrepreneurs at the edge of wilderness where they attempted to build a civilization largely with their own hands. To do so required individual agency with the realities at hand and leadership in relation to the others who lived in that society. I think he deliberately structured DS in its small isolated state with labor and self-governance as fundamental attributes because he surmised this would engender the practice of moral cognition.

As civilization and technology have evolved in the last one hundred years, the isolation LL Nunn knew has become diminished to an ephemeral state, but the need for cognitive and moral focus remains. You can achieve it by actively and purposefully engaging that direct experience of the material world immediately around you. Having done that, you can locate your own true agency. And, believe it or not – it's only two years.

## Thirty Years of Giving 1982—2012

2012 marked the 30th year since the college began keeping permanent records of individual giving. Looking back through those years, it's plain to see that Deep Springs thrives in sync with the strength of commitment from hundreds of individuals. While support comes in many forms, consistent financial contributions sustain the college fiscally. We are grateful to every contributor every year, and wish to especially honor the commitment of the following individuals who have given for a decade or more.

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DS'52—Stephen Birdlebough	Friend—Douglas & Gisela Daetz	Parent—Alan & Sara Galbraith
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DS'65—Joel & Meredith Coble	& Graciela Spivak	DS'70—Paul Greenberg
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•	DS'49—Don & Elizabeth Noel	DS'55—Ed Keonjian
DS'43—Ken & Anna Mahony	Parent—Robert & Nancy Pease	DS'45—Thomas Kinney
DS'56—Jack & Linda Newell	DS'57—Vernon & Dorothy Penner	DS'63—Jeffrey Klahn &
DS'43—Thomas Palfrey	DS'44—Robert & Cyvia Peters	Elisabeth Swain
DS'43—Donald Pederson	DS'59—Hale & Nancy Prather	DS'60—Chris & Carol Kleps
DS'41—Erik Pell	Parent—Robert Sayre	Parent—Bronte Sutherland Lamm
DS'47—Steven & Elizabeth Phillips	DS'84—Craig Scrivner	DS'74—Cameron Leonard
DS'74—William Ragen	DS'48—Mark & Marie Sexton	Parent—Robert & Joanne Linden
& Barbara Shulman		
DS'59—Donald & Hilary Read	Parent—Donald & Mary Shaw	DS'53—John Mawby
DS'44—Dr. & Mrs. Jules Riskin	DS'66—Cole & Caryn Sheckler	DS'84—Rodney North &
DS'60—Bob & Carla Rugeroni	DS'64—Michael Stryker &	Donna Desrochers
DS'62—Eric Schneidewind	Barbara Poetter	DS'57—Kenneth & Betsy Pursley
& Ann Radelet Schneidewind	DS'65—Eric Swanson &	Parent—John & Louise Rider
DS'48—John & Beverly Sinning	Devon Hodges	DS'86—Peter Rock & Ella Vining
DS'48—Jurai & Julie Slavik	DS'45—Robert & Bonnie Van Duyne	DS'38—Christian &
DS'35—Robert & Mary Sproull	DS'69—Jan Vleck & Kathleen Peppard	Estelle Rondestvedt
DS'48—Lee & Martha Talbot	DS'79—David Weiss & Ute Muh	DS'77—Peter Rosenblum
DS'75—George & Marilee Taylor	DS'47—David & Kathryn Werdegar	DS'80—Rob Schechter &
DS'46—William &	DS'44—Allen & Alice Whiting	Alison Matsunaga
Melinda vanden Heuvel	Friend—Eunice Whitney	DS'87—Adam Schwartz &
	DS'45—Frank & Loretta Young	Sarah Levine
DS'45—Edwin Wesely &	<b>6</b>	Parent—Ronald & Nancy Schwiesow
Marcy Brownson		DS'43—Robert & Janice Scott
DS'48—Keith & Lea White	20—25 YEARS	Parent—Frederick & Eleanor Sears
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<u>25—30 YEARS</u>	Anonymous	Parent—Albert & Lucy Serling
	Friend—Christopher & Jane Breiseth	DS'82—Steven Thompson &
DS'84—Charles Abbott	DS'73—Chris Campbell &	Kerrie Byrne
DS'54—John Ames & Janet Boggia	Julie Ann Keller	Parent—Richard & Joyce Unger
DS'47—Donald Baker	DS'44—Mark & Betty Cannon	Parent—Dr. & Mrs. Hugh Visser
DS'59—Brendon Bass	DS'81—Robert A. Davis	Friend—Dr. Simon Whitney
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Friend—Dr. Simon Whitney

DS'81—Robert A. Davis

DS'78—Steven Buyske & Ann Jurecic

### Thirty Years of Giving 1982—2012



Ranch Manager Janice Hunter and Maintenance Manager Padraic MacLeish '99 take a break to observe the action as students pursue spring branding in the corrals

DS'41—Richard & Elizabeth Wolgast DS'63—Alan Wright

DS'84—Richard Ziglar

### 15-20 YEARS

Parent—Rich & Elaine Abbott

Parent—Ann Armstrong

DS'87—Michael & Laurie Armstrong

DS'58—Bruce Bailey

Parent—Ronald & Kathleen Beck

Parent—Jane Campbell

DS'45—David Cole & Betty Slade

Friend—Robert Dann

DS'72—Max Dannis

DS'76—David De Long

Parent—Louis & Juliet De Long

DS'38—Ernst & Mabel Erickson

Parent—Leif & Sharon Erickson

Parent-Mr. & Mrs. Donald Etnier

DS'66—Mark & Katharine Farrell

DS'85—Daniel Fulwiler

DS'81—Joseph & Margot Gibson

DS'80—Kurt Gilson &

May-Britt Laurent

DS'66—Timothy & Joyce Greening

DS'54—John & Judith Hays

Friend—James & Betta Hedlund

DS'82-Misha Hoekstra

DS'90—Timothy Hoekstra

DS'51—Rev. & Mrs. John Hudson

Friend—Neil Hughes

Friend—Leon & Judith Jacobson

DS'77—Paul Kelly & Denny Dart

Friend-Gordon Kiddoo

Friend—Robert Lack & Colleen Kelly

DS'82—Joseph Liburt

Friend—Philip & Candace Lowry

Friend—John & Susan Ludden

DS'43—Julian & Allen MacDonald

Friend—Donn & Margaret Miller

DS'79—James & Leslie Morefield

Friend—Jane Myers & John Barton

Friend—Peter & Wendy O'Connor

DS'72—James Pearson &

Melanie Jacobson

DS'85—Jonathan & Kyndale Pease

Friend—Ross & Kay Peterson

DS'65—William Pezick

Parent—Patrick & Mary Ragen

Friend—John Riebesell

DS'83—Warren Rosenblum

& Nicole Blumner

DS'41—Gareth & Doreen Sadler

DS'87—Nathan Sayre

Parent—Kenneth & Sue Schechter

Parent—Abba & Dorothy Schwartz

DS'79—Michael & Susan Schwartz

Parent—David & Carol Scrivner

Parent-Dr. & Mrs. Charles Smith

DS'89—Steven Solga & Lisa Spacek

DS'37—David & Ruth Spalding

DS'79—James Stearns & Kim Hopper

DS'80—Andrew Swartz

DS'72—Mark & Starla Taylor

Friend—Carl & Tania Tipton

Parent—Armando & Marti Travelli

DS'50-Dr. & Mrs. Ernest Tucker III

Parent—Dr. James Turnure

DS'91—Zachary & Shona Unger

Parent-Mai Flournoy Van Arsdall

Parent—Thomas & Tanis Vollmann

DS'69-Pete & Laura Wakeman

DS'53—David & Barbara Webb

DS'73—Roy Williams

DS'87—Bryan Yeager &

Tamami Kimura

#### 10—15 YEARS

DS'82-Ira Abrams & Rachel Krucoff

Friend-Polly Aird

Parent—Carol & John Albright

Parent—Eugene Alexander & Barbara Blasdel

DS'64—Ron Alexander

Friend—J.G. Alton

Anonymous

Parent—Ann Applegarth

Friend—K. Arakelian

Friend—Albert & Frances Arent

DS'84—David Arndt & Julie Park

DS'60—Donald Attwood

DS'76—David & Rebecca Ayer

Frient—Dr. Clifford Beck

& Dr. Alice Casev

DS'92—Travis Beck

DS'60—Darwin & Susan Berg

Friend—Catherine Bergel

DS'99—Hunter Blanks

DS'62—Hugo & Nancy Blasdel

DS'80—David & Rosie Brown

Parent—Kenneth & Lisa Brownstein

DS'90—Alex Burger

Parent—Tania Lang Burger

DS'56—C. Allen Bush & Luise Graff

DS'85—Joel S. Cadbury

DS'76—Benjamin Campbell

DS'80—Ross Campbell & Marianne Aall

Friend—Joyce & Bill Chesnut

DS'69—Denis Clark &

Katherine Giovanna

DS'85—Jeffrey Clarke

DS'90—Adam & Suzanne Condron

DS'91—Richard Cooluris

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10—15 YEARS (continued)	Friend—Mark Livingston	Janell Sorenson
	Parent—William & Karen Longley	DS'93—John Abe Sutherland
Friend—Darrel Cowan	DS'76—Mario & Donna Loomis	DS'98—Bryden Sweeney-Taylor
DS'65—Michael Cravey	Friend—Charles & Mary Lowrey	DS'91—Brendan Taaffe
& Cheryl Minard	Friend—Robert & Nancy Lowthorp	DS'81—John Tate
Parent—Tamara & Bruce Culbert	DS'72—Thomas Lucero	Parent—John H. Tate Jr.
Parent—Carroll & Lorraine Davis	DS'76—Matthew & Suzanne Lykken	Parent—Hoyt Taylor &
DS'77—Paul Davis &	DS'68—William Mack & Ann Robinson	Mary Ellen Sweeney
Kimberly Mc Kittrick	DS'89—Padraic & Shelby MacLeish	Parent—Martin & Elizabeth Terplan
DS'94—John Dewis	Parent—Rev. William J. Marvin	Friend—Mrs. Eva Tetreault
DS'91—James Downing	DS'81—Hugh McGuire &	Friend—Eunice 'Beth' Thomas &
Parent—L. Thomas & Jo Ann Downing	Christina Gray-McGuire	John Thomas
Friend—Sam & Diane Dugan	Parent—Dr. & Mrs. C. Gary Merritt	DS'52—Lee & Carol Tonner
DS'49—Miles & Nanette Everett	Parent—Jon & Linda Michaelson	Friend—Jamie Van Arsdall &
DS'67—Andrew Fairchild	Friend—Joy Midman	William Owens
DS'90—Gene Fang	Friend—Mr. Roland Moore	DS'71—Stephen Viavant & Lea Samuel
Parent—Henry & Ta-yun Fang	DS'00—Oliver Morrison	Parent—Joseph & Nancy Vleck
DS'74—Michael Fields	Parent—Kate Moss	DS'77—William Vollman & Janice Ryu
DS'67—Mr. & Mrs. John Finefrock	DS'80—Erik Mueggler	DS'64—Douglas &
DS'90—J. Galbraith	Parent—Mr. & Mrs. Walter Mueggler	Nancy Sue Von Qualen
DS'65—Brian & Denise Galvin	Parent—Luther & Virginia Munford	DS'45—Gregory Votaw &
DS'64—John Getsinger	DS'78—John & Caroline Murphy	Carmen Delgado Votaw
DS'89—James Gibbs	DS'83—Bruce Nestor	DS'96—Colin Wambsgans &
Parent—Joe & Erika Gilson	Friend—Patricia Novelli	Dorothy Fortenberry
DS'77—James & Annette Gorman	DS'61—Kenneth Odell	DS'80—David Welle
Parent—Gary & Eleanor Gossen	DS'47—Phil Ogden & Brenda Patrick	Friend—Robley & June Williams
Parent—Meyer & Beatrice Greenberg	DS'85—Douglas Pascover	Friend—Claire Wolfowitz
DS'87—David Greene & Sarah Averill	DS'71—David Peterson & Karen Pratt	DS'79—Lars Wulff
DS'85—Colin Hamblin & Patricia Callo	DS'92—Matthew Pflantzbaum	Friend—Martynas Ycas
Friend—Frederick Hammer	DS'43—Rev. William Porter	
Parent—James & Elizabeth Hayden	DS'71—Daniel Pritchett	
Friend—Henry & Marjorie Hayes DS'56—Richard & Rebecca Haynie	DS'78—Robert 'Jay' Pulliam & Mara Pfund	
DS'39—Mr. & Mrs. Donald Hazlett	DS'71—Martin Quigley	
DS'72—Philip Heikkinen &	DS'50—Stephen & Ruth Rabin	
Ellen Goldberg	Friend—Earline Reid	
Friend—David & Susan Hodges	DS'72—Jeff & JoAnn Rider	
DS'82—Kinch Hoekstra	Parent—James & Bonnie Rock	
DS'56—Bill & Jane Hoffman	Friend—Michael Rowe &	
Friend—Jeff Holzgrefe & Elizabeth Kiss	Jennifer Burroughs	
DS'69—Richard Howard	Parent—Thomas & Cynthia Ruttan	
DS'88—Tom Hudgens & Eric Luna	DS'86—David Schisgall & Evgenia Peretz	
Parent—Ruth K. Huston	Friend—Eric Scigliano	
DS'75—Thomas Hutchins	Friend—Susan Scrivner	
DS'81—Weston Isberg	DS'83—David Sears	
Parent—Mr. & Mrs. Bern Jacobson	DS'62—Harold Segwick	
Parent—Jay & Julie Jacobson	DS'80—Jahan Sharifi & Pauline Yoo	
DS'81—Robert Jerrard	Parent—H.L.R. & Shelley Smith	
DS'67—Alan Kaufman	Friend—Lowell Smith & Sally Sanford	
DS'51—Brandt Kehoe	DS'81—Douglas & Mary Jackson-Smith	
DS'43—Lewis & Emilie Kimball	DS'45—Norris Smith	
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DC'79 Michael Layanthal	Doront Cilbert & Tari Fox Stowner	

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