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**ALUMNI, FRIENDS PLEDGE RECORD AMOUNT TO '06-'07 PHONATHON**

Thanks to the support of Boise State alumni and friends, the 2006-07 Phonathon has been the most successful ever.

Over the fall and spring semesters, \$270,674 was pledged in support of the university. This brings the total amount pledged well ahead of last year's \$242,779.

The Boise State Foundation thanks everyone who pledged and extends a special thank you to those individuals who pledged during the fall Phonathon and also chose to make a second pledge in support of Boise State in the spring.

The 2007-08 Phonathon will again include fall and spring callings, as well as a special effort to enlist new donors during the university's 75th anniversary year.

The current renovation project in the Student Union will mean the loss of an on-campus Phonathon site. As a result, the fall and spring callings will be conducted from an off-site location by a company that specializes in managing phone campaigns.

**SCHOLARSHIP HONORS LATE BSU GRAD, EDUCATOR WINDOM**

Through the Boise State Foundation, Boiseans Bob and Lori Heindel, family and friends have set up a scholarship for a BSU special education student as a memorial for the Heindels' late daughter, Judy Windom. Windom was a Boise State graduate and special education teacher at Eagle High School who was assaulted and killed, allegedly by her teenage son, in January.

After the tragedy, the Heindels said they would provide spiritual support for their grandson and help him through the process that lies ahead. Bob Heindel and his son Bob Jr. have been doing ministerial work at the Idaho State Correctional Institution for years.

Windom graduated from BSU's School of Social Work in 1987. As her sister described in her eulogy, Windom found her second calling after a car accident in 2000 that left her in a coma. Her struggle to fully recover inspired her to become a special education teacher. As she told her sister, "I know what it's like to have a hard time finding the right words. ... I've been through physical and mental difficulties. I think I'd make a good special ed teacher because I'd know what my students were going through."

To help put more special education teachers into area schools, please consider a contribution to the Judy Windom Special Education Memorial Scholarship. The BSU Foundation's goal is to raise a minimum of \$10,000, which would create an endowed scholarship in Windom's name. For more information, contact the Boise State Foundation at (208) 426-3276.

**Cunningham Foundation continues legacy of support**

For four decades the Laura Moore Cunningham Foundation has helped make dreams come true for thousands of Boise State students. This year the foundation enhanced its legacy of support by increasing its annual scholarship contribution by another \$30,000. With the additional funding, the foundation now provides 90 scholarships annually at \$3,000 each in disciplines ranging from nursing to science to the humanities. The foundation also funds scholarships at other universities, as well as support for hospitals, child welfare and educational programs.

The Laura Moore Cunningham Foundation was formed in 1963 with funds from the Laura Moore Cunningham estate. Cunningham (right), daughter of pioneer banker C.W.



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Moore, was born and raised in Boise. She dedicated her life to the community, serving as a director of the Children's Home Society for more than 30 years, participating actively in the Boise chapter of the Red Cross, and supporting the fledgling Boise Junior College.

Upon Cunningham's death in 1963, then-Idaho Gov. Robert E. Smylie said, "This great lady has been a part of Idaho life for so very long that it will be hard to imagine her absence. Her contribution to civic enterprise was the highest tradition of gracious citizenship."

Harry Bettis, Cunningham's grandnephew, and his daughters, Janelle and Laura, now direct the Laura Moore Cunningham Foundation, which continues to generously provide Boise State students with financial support.



CARRIE QUINNEY

Laura Bettis (center, with white blouse) and recipients of scholarships from the Laura Moore Cunningham Foundation gather at the annual luncheon at BSU in Cunningham's honor earlier this year.