

INSIGHTS & OPTIONS

Your Legacy Newsletter

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The Centennial Campaign for UCLA

UCLA News, Projects and Achievements



▶ Professor Yoram Cohen

Water! -Yoram Cohen, Professor of Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering and Director of the *UCLA Water Technology Research Center* envisions a water-independent future for California. He designed a mobile water treatment plant, which can purify 27,000 gallons of agricultural runoff and groundwater a day (the average daily use of about 90 U.S. families) and addresses water shortage issues in the San Joaquin Valley. He also is testing a home-based *Gray2Blue* system that cleans up to 560 gallons a day.



▶ Dr. Denis Evseenko

The power of stem cells - Degenerative conditions of the joints and cartilage affect millions. There is no cure, and current treatments focus on managing pain or on costly and invasive artificial joint replacement. As a member of the UCLA Broad Stem Cell Research Center, Dr. Denis Evseenko is investigating a breakthrough use of stem cells to grow cartilage and develop new treatments for arthritis and ligament and tendon injuries.



▶ The Centennial Campaign for UCLA

The Centennial Campaign for UCLA - Your gift and your legacy can change the world: With more than 350 labs, centers and institutes, UCLA provides extensive resources to its research community and defines the role of a great public research university in the 21st century. It is also the most applied-to university in the nation, and is ranked second among all public universities in the world.

EXPLORING THE PAST, BUILDING THE FUTURE



Marilyn Beaudry-Corbett at an archaeological site

If At First You Succeed...

By the time she was in her early 40's, Marilyn Beaudry-Corbett had conquered the corporate world. She had joined a large marketing and advertising research firm and had risen to become Chief Operating Officer. In an era when women were just starting to flex their career muscles, she was the poster child of a professional woman pushing back workplace boundaries. Then, Marilyn asked herself, "Do I want to keep doing this for the next 15-20 years? My answer was unequivocally *no*."

Find something new and difficult...

What she really wanted to do was study and practice archaeology, an interest sparked by UCLA Extension courses she had taken. "There was something about discovering how people lived their everyday lives that had always intrigued me, particularly in the Mesoamerican cultures," she said. "Jaws dropped at work when I told them about my plans," Marilyn remembers. This outside-the-norm student took UCLA by surprise as well. The first graduate advisor she spoke with was not terribly encouraging, citing her lack of relevant academic credentials. Undaunted, Marilyn stood in line with "real graduate students" outside the office of Christopher Donnan, Former Director of UCLA's Fowler Museum, Emeritus Professor of Anthropology and a world authority on the Moche of Peru. That day, Donnan gave her the advice and encouragement she needed to pursue her dream.

Succeed again

The same drive and determination that propelled her to corporate success helped her navigate her new career path. She was one of the first to earn a master's degree in the UCLA interdepartmental program in archaeology in 1977, followed by a doctorate in 1983. She was awarded a post-doctoral fellowship at the Smithsonian Institution and spent a year as a Fulbright scholar in La Lima, Honduras.

"I am thrilled that my gift will support future archaeologists and the field of Mesoamerican archaeology at the Cotsen, which has given me so much pleasure and professional fulfillment."

- Marilyn Beaudry-Corbett

Marilyn Beaudry-Corbett is now a visiting assistant professor and the former Director of Publications for the Cotsen Institute. She also directs the Cotsen's Ceramics Research Group. She has contributed her expertise—the production and distribution of archaeological ceramics in Mesoamerica and Central America—to numerous excavations throughout that region.

Then, make your mark on the future

Marilyn has built a legacy that reflects both her passion for archaeology and her philanthropic and pioneering spirit. In addition to a recent gift to establish an endowed chair in Mesoamerican archaeology, she has included UCLA in her estate plans to create an endowed fellowship fund, which will provide vital support for graduate students pursuing studies in archaeology at the Cotsen Institute. ●●

CREATING INCOME YOU CANNOT OUTLIVE

What if you could arrange for dependable income that will continue for as long as you live? What if this same plan freed you from worries about outliving your resources, the ups and downs of interest rates, and the performance of your investments? And, what if you could accomplish these goals while supporting your philanthropic interests at UCLA?

For many years, UCLA charitable gift annuities have provided a way to supplement one's income, reduce taxes, and make significant charitable gifts that have an impact far into the future. (see Ernie Harris's story on page 6).

Establishing a charitable gift annuity is easy: A simple contract with The UCLA Foundation and transfer of cash or securities result in regular payments that will never decrease in size or frequency. The payment rate varies according to the beneficiary's age. The older the beneficiary, the higher the payment rate (see chart below).

Charitable annuities also offer other tax and financial advantages:

- A charitable income tax deduction.
- A portion of the annuity payments is tax-free for a period of time.
- If you fund your charitable annuity with appreciated securities, you also may enjoy capital gains tax savings.
- Payments can benefit up to 2 persons (annuitants) and can be deferred, which results in even higher payment rates.

Age	Payment Rate for 1 Annuitant*
69	5%
78	6.4%
85	7.8%

*Please contact UCLA's Office of Gift Planning to learn the payout rates for other ages and for 2 annuitants. 1-800-737-8252 or giftplanning@support.ucla.edu



The launch of the Centennial Campaign for UCLA

ESTATE PLANNING & THE POWER TO TRANSFORM

Planning for the future distribution of your property deserves special attention. You have the ability to choose how—and to whom—you want your assets distributed. One way to ensure your wishes will be carried out in the future is by having a valid will or living trust.

Recent changes in federal tax laws and the laws of many states have reduced the amount of estate tax most people will owe. If that is the case for you, you may decide to include The UCLA Foundation in your estate documents, and build a meaningful, lasting legacy in support of any UCLA department or program or create an unrestricted gift to be used for the university's greatest needs.

Should You Share Your Plans?

If you have already included UCLA in your plans (or if you intend to), please let us know.

- UCLA would like to make sure your wishes are understood and that your gift will be used exactly as you intend.
- The gift planning team can provide you and your advisors with sample bequest language, if desired.
- The university would like to thank you and, if you wish, include you in UCLA's Legacy Society, a group of philanthropists who share a strong bond with UCLA and a desire to build a better tomorrow. 🏆

Through your will or living trust, there are several ways you can make gifts to UCLA that will transform, enrich and save lives.

Give "what's left."

- After first providing for loved ones, you can devote all or a portion of the remainder of your estate to UCLA and other charitable interests.

Give an adjustable amount.

- Leaving designated percentages of your estate allows you to give proportions rather than specific amounts.

Leave a fixed amount

- Your plans can specify a dollar amount to be given to UCLA. This option ensures that a certain amount is received by the university to be used as you designate.

You can also name The UCLA Foundation as the beneficiary of retirement plans and life insurance policies.



UCLA cheerleaders, 1959

SHAPING A LEGACY



Marilyn Beaudry-Corbett and Don Corbett

TEACH, LOVE, DIG

In 1987, while teaching a class in ceramics analysis at UCLA, Marilyn met Don Corbett, a dentist by profession who had become hooked on archaeology a few years earlier. Just three months after they started dating, he proposed at the Jungle Lodge in Tikal, Guatemala where Marilyn was the principal investigator at the site on the south coast of Guatemala. They spent their honeymoon in Mexico on a Smithsonian study tour led by Marilyn, the first of many shared travel experiences. Don Corbett served two terms as President of the Cotsen's Friends of Archaeology group and continues to be involved in the ceramics research group. "Archaeology brought us together, but we have a shared interest in so many things."

COLLEAGUE, SCHOLAR AND MENTOR

"As archaeologists, we work to preserve and document knowledge and cultural diversity. It's field work, it's labor-intensive and it's expensive. When we take young undergraduate students into the field and out of their comfort zone, we challenge them intellectually and physically. For many, particularly those from disadvantaged backgrounds, this is their first chance to get out of their environment and experience different cultures."

"We are incredibly honored that Marilyn chose the Cotsen as the beneficiary of her gift. She truly understands that philanthropy will help us recruit the best faculty and students. What makes her gift even more meaningful is that she is a treasured colleague, an accomplished scholar in her field and an inspiring mentor."

*-Charles 'Chip' Stanish,
Professor of Anthropology and Director of the Cotsen Institute*

"Marilyn Beaudry-Corbett's generous endowed fellowship will provide funds where they are needed most: student support. Her gift is an investment in generations of young scholars to come and ensures UCLA's leading role among the world's best archaeology programs."

*-John Papadopoulos,
Professor of Classics and Archaeology and Chair of the Interdepartmental Archaeology
Graduate Program at the Cotsen*

LEGACY GIFT PROVIDES CRUCIAL SUPPORT FOR CENTENNIAL CAMPAIGN

Marilyn's generous support will help ensure the Cotsen Institute's robust presence in Mesoamerican archaeology for generations to come. It also serves as a wonderful gift toward UCLA's exciting and ambitious Centennial Campaign goals.



Ernie Harris

PHILANTHROPY BUILDS RETIREMENT INCOME

An Englishman, born in Greenwich, Ernie Harris does not remember his early days in green, cool southern England. When he was three, his widowed mother remarried and made a mind-spinning transition to an isolated stretch of California desert, 50 miles east of Bakersfield. So Ernie remembers the town of Taft, where his step-father worked in oil fields in the mid-1920s, and he remembers snakes and tarantulas.

As a young man, Ernie attended junior college and earned an AA degree in business, but all ambitions and plans soon were halted by war. “I was drafted on November 17, 1941,” he remembers with exactitude. “I served as a meteorologist, but I also volunteered as an observer, and I flew in B24s in the South Pacific. I came out, unscathed, on Christmas Eve 1945.

A UCLA education leads to an adventurous career

“I had always wanted to be an engineer, and the GI Bill made it possible,” Ernie says. In 1946, he started at UCLA’s School of Engineering and graduated in 1949 with a degree in electrical engineering. Soon after, an engineering job opened up at the Bureau of Reclamation, and he went on to work on large dams and water projects throughout the West.

One day, by coincidence, Ernie spotted an ad for an Air Force electrical engineer on a U.S. base in England. Off he went and worked on security systems for nuclear bunkers. In 1960, near the height of the Cold War, he headed back to California as a liaison between the Air Force and the ICBM (Intercontinental Ballistic Missile) program in El Segundo. Then, he worked on the Minuteman and Peacekeeper projects for Rockwell. “Somebody once asked me how come I could deal with and adapt to such different fields. The answer was the broad engineering education I had received. It gave me an understanding I could build on.”

“ Today, it continues to be engineers who move things forward. So you have to support the development of the field.”

- Ernie Harris

it tax-free, and you also get a large tax deduction the year that you establish it. At the same time, I am supporting something I believe in. That’s kind of hard to beat. I can’t say that I had figured this as a long-term goal when I started,’ Ernie laughs, “But I got started, and it was like going downhill, I couldn’t stop.”

Giving back and doing well

By 1990, Ernie’s career was winding down. Wanting additional income, he established his first UCLA charitable gift annuity. He went on to create at least one annuity a year, sometimes two, adding up to 26 to date. “They are so simple to set up: You basically deal with one form. You get a regular income, part of