

GIVING TO THE RUSS COLLEGE



Dolores Russ chats with National Academy of Engineering President William A. Wulf at a Russ Prize awards event in February 2005.

DEAN'S MESSAGE

Dear alumni and friends:

Because of your support the past few years—in particular with the very successful Ohio University Bicentennial Campaign—we have made great strides toward improving the lives of our students. We've established various endowments for professorships, scholarships, and our student activities fund. Unrestricted gifts have enabled us to upgrade lab and computer facilities, as well as classrooms.

In addition, we've begun planning a new learning and research facility—one that has now been expanded to serve an even greater number of students, faculty, and staff (see related article in this section). Today's students have new ways of learning and working.

Providing them with dynamic, collaborative spaces will put the Russ College at the forefront of engineering education for a new generation. You can help make this a reality.

You can also help support our other priorities this year (see sidebar). Hundreds of students develop their technical, teamwork, and communications skills working on the many projects and competitions supported by the student activities endowment. *Ingenuity's* student accomplishments article only highlights these activities. And thanks to the Robe Leadership Institute, our students have the opportunity to grow into the leaders we'll depend on tomorrow.

Students are at the heart of everything we do. Your philanthropic support will ensure we maintain our excellence and meet the new challenges ahead. Thank you!

NEW AND IMPROVED: THE INTEGRATED LEARNING AND RESEARCH FACILITY

The new integrated learning and research facility expands upon the Russ College's originally planned learning community facility, made possible with a leadership gift of \$5 million from Charles R., B.S.M.E. '66, and Marilyn Stuckey. Students, faculty, and researchers from the Russ College will now join those in the College of Osteopathic Medicine and other colleges in the facility.

Encouraging collaboration and innovation, the building will be a magnet for learning. Collaboration and teamwork are at the heart of the design—proximity, specialized equipment, shared laboratory and meeting spaces, high-speed Internet, and sophisticated computer workstations will enhance both teaching and research efforts.

The new building will transform and challenge enrolled students and enable us to recruit tomorrow's engineers, as well as talented new faculty. The College's developing bioengineering program will be a great beneficiary as well. Ohio University's new, \$10 million, six-year biotechnology initiative—in which the Russ College plays a key role—will be housed in the new facility. Interdisciplinary research, clinical outreach projects, new major equipment, and new faculty hires will advance research into commercial biotechnology products and help inform best practices.

For more information, contact Mark Carter, Russ College assistant dean for development, at 740.593.0894 or carterm1@ohio.edu.



Charles R. Stuckey, B.S.M.E. '66, HON '05, center, receives an honorary doctorate at Commencement 2005. Pictured with him are (left to right) Special Assistant to the President and Board of Trustees Secretary Alan Geiger, President Roderick McDavis, Provost Kathy Krendl, and Russ College Dean Dennis Irwin.

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MAKING YOUR MARK ON THE INTEGRATED LEARNING AND RESEARCH FACILITY

Giving and naming opportunities in the new integrated learning and research facility will provide support funds and endowed resources for top-notch programming and activities. Every contribution will support the Russ College's commitment to personal and intellectual exploration and discovery.

From student interactive spaces to incubators for centers of excellence, opportunities will exist to associate the names of individual donors with specific spaces. The names of visionary donors making gifts from \$100,000 to \$1 million will forever be recognized in the facility—a truly unique opportunity for alumni and friends to make their mark on a singular place.

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Robe Leadership Institute scholars hear from Ohio University Foundation Board Chair Charlotte Eufinger.

2005–2006 TOP THREE FUNDING PRIORITIES

INTEGRATED LEARNING AND RESEARCH FACILITY

Target project cost: \$30 million
Raised to date: \$20 million*
Remaining funds required: \$10 million

- Provide learning environment and sense of community aligned with the learning and working needs and desires of today's students
- Serve as learning environment via open design showing building's inner workings
- Provide showcase for student work
- Bolster recruitment efforts
- Support interdisciplinary research

STUDENT ACTIVITY ENDOWMENT FUND

Target goal: \$1.5 million
Raised to date: \$550,000*
Remaining funds required: \$950,000

- Provide students the opportunity to travel to and compete in competitions, workshops, conferences, and other professional development opportunities

ROBE LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE DIRECTORSHIP ENDOWMENT

Target goal: \$500,000
Raised to date: \$260,000
Remaining funds required: \$240,000

- Ensure the future of this inspiring leadership program

*As of October 31, 2005