University fundraising campaign promises ‘Brilliant Futures’

Planning for the Brilliant Futures campaign began in July 2003. When the UI kicked off the campaign’s public phase in June 2007, it was one of the largest fundraising campaigns waged by a public university at the time and the 11th largest campaign in the nation.

The UI is one of 28 U.S. universities that is attempting to raise at least $1 billion, according to a recent report by the Chronicle of Higher Education, which is tracking the campaigns. Brilliant Futures is the UI’s third comprehensive capital campaign. The Campaign for Illinois, which ran from 1979 – 1985, exceeded its $100 million goal by $37 million. The university’s second drive, Campaign Illinois, was launched in 1991 with a goal of $1 billion and closed at the end of 2000 with gifts totaling $1.53 billion.

The Brilliant Futures campaign will continue through Dec. 31, 2011.
Two undergraduates receive Goldwater Scholarships

By Melissa Mitchell
News Bureau Staff Writer

Two UI undergraduate students have won prestigious Barry M. Goldwater Scholarships for the 2008–2009 academic year.

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The goal of the Whittaker Program is to assist in the development of professional leaders who are not only superb engineers and scientists, but who also will lead and serve the biomedical engineering profession with an international outlook. As such, the fellowship was designed to serve young biomedical engineers eager for a new international experience. Fellows may study at a university, conduct research at a research institute or work as an intern at a policy-making organization. Recipients receive a stipend, health insurance, a monthly living stipend, health and accident insurance, and a tuition allowance.

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At Illinois, Wennstedt has been a James Scholar and a Chancellor’s Scholar, and currently serves as the president of the Society of Experimental Mechanics and as the president of the Society of Multiculturalism and diversity. She also studied for a semester in Singapore.

In carrying out her academic work, Wennstedt sought research and internship opportunities, including studying the rate of bacteria growth in hot springs (work she did with geology and microbiology professor Richard Rice) and working in a lab that designs and testing a welded joint for pacemaker devices at Boston Scientific.

Lum Curtis Rose Jr., 50, died May 2. Rose was formerly employed in food service at Holiday Inn. Margaret Hougham Webb, 95, died May 5. Webb was on the staff of the UI Library for 15 years, retiring in 1981 as associate librarian. Members: Church of the Brethren,

Richard Herman. “She has shared with us many food stories from her time as a schol- lendent here, and our hope is that her gift will ensure that future generations of students in our School of Music will cherish the memories of a great experience, as well as the knowledge and drive to follow Sheila’s footsteps and become a positive force for change in their communities.”

“The arts, especially music, are crucial for young people’s development,” Johnson said. “Music teaches communication skills and focuses on self-esteem, discipline and curiosity. Music provides a solid building block for success in the rest of a musician’s life. We need committed, talented teachers to pass on the gift of music to our students, and I am thrilled to be able to honor my mentors Daniel J. Perrino and Susan Starrett with these two chairs, passing on their legacy of inspiration to generations of music students to come.”

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Female concave-eared frogs draw mates with ultrasonic calls

By Diana Yates
News Bureau Staff Writer

Most female frogs don’t call; most lack or have only rudimentary vocal cords. A typical female selects a mate from a chorus of males and then – signals her beau. But the unusual ear structure and high-pitched calls of only two frog species known to have a female O. tormota, Odorrana tormota, is one of several unusual frog-related findings reported this week in the journal Nature.

In the wild, we know of only two species – the other one in Southeast Asia – that have the concave ear,” Feng said. “The others all have eardrums on the body surface.”

Earlier studies, conducted by Feng, Jun-Xian Shen at the Institute of Biophysics of the Chinese Academy of Sciences and Peter Narins, found that female O. tormota frogs also emit a call that spans audible and ultrasonic frequencies. The team has not observed females vocalizing in the wild (the frogs are nocturnal and can leap up to 30 times their body length), but in laboratory settings the females emitted calls only when they were carrying eggs.

Male O. tormota frogs exposed to recorded female calls were quite responsive, usually chirping within a small fraction of a second. “The frog’s response is instantaneous – right after the stimulus,” Feng said.

In the laboratory, the males usually chirped and then leapt directly at the source of the female call. Their ability to home in on the sound was astonishingly precise, Feng said. A typical male could leap toward the sound with an accuracy of more than 99 percent.

“This is just unheard of in the frog kingdom,” he said.

Other elephants, humans, barn owls and dolphins are known to detect sound with similar precision. The only difference between the frog’s ears (about 1 centimeter) makes its ability to localize the sound much more impressive, Feng said.

How the female picks a mate in the wild is still unknown, however.

“We have a lot of work to do to figure out whether she directs the signal to one male or whether she lets a bunch of males come and compete, or whether there is any kind of duration during which she then decides: ‘OK. You’re my guy. Hop on my back and I’ll take you to the creek’,” Feng said.

These studies likely have implications for human health. Earlier research into the mechanics of frog hearing and directional hearing helped Feng and his colleagues at the Beckman Institute design an “intelligent” hearing aid that boosts sound signals of interest embedded in other sounds in the immediate environment of the listener.

Tell me about your job.

Primarily, I’m the front person and greeter for the MBA program. It’s hard to describe my job because none of my days are the same. I answer student inquiries, help obtain bids for events, assist (MBA associate dean) Mary Miller when she has special needs, and help the MBA staff. The best part of my job is interacting with the students.

I’m originally from Michigan but my husband and I moved here in 1970 because of the university. We like the vitality of college towns.

How many students are in the program?

About 300. We have three part-time programs and two full-time classes.

Tell me about your volunteer work with the Center for Women in Transition.

Right now, I’m the project coordinator for a house they are renovating. It will be the center’s fourth house, and the first shelter for single women in downstate Illinois. I coordinate the volunteers, keeping them scheduled and matching the jobs to their skills, and work with the building committee. I get the community’s business people involved and seek donations. David Kay, my husband, Bill and New Prairie Construction have been key players in the process.

We’ve been working on the house every weekend since October, except for Thanksgiving and Christmas. It’s the joy in doing it with (the volunteers). You know why you’re there and who’s going to benefit from it.

I hate asking for donations but it was easier than I thought because people are good-hearted. Local companies donated a furnace, siding, building materials and windows. Individuals and organizations have adopted all the rooms and are responsible for redecorating. The First Presbyterian Church in Urbana through the leadership of David Kay adopted the kitchen and the living room. A Boy Scout adopted a room in his Eagle Project.

I’ve personally adopted a room and am furnishing it in shabby chic in very feminine shades of light pink and green. I purchased a wonderful four-poster twin bed, an antique dresser, end tables, a vanity and wall decor at garage sales and painted them last summer. I am just waiting for the house to be completed at the end of June before I move in.

I originally met with the single women at the shelter before I started the project to discuss their needs. They were very excited about the prospects of having everyday luxuries that we take for granted, such as central air conditioning and their own bedrooms. Talking with them was very humbling.

When did you begin volunteering with them and why?

I started volunteering for the center four years ago doing interior design with their Unlimited Possibilities House. Someone recommended that they ask me to help because I enjoy interior design.

The center’s mission is to give self worth and self-sufficiency to women, and it bears such good fruit. The center gets 200 to 300 requests a year for shelter, and 40 percent of those are from single women.

Since you enjoy art and decorating, are you an artist yourself?

I used to do watercolors but I’ve gotten away from it. When I retire, I’m definitely going back to it because I derive so much pleasure from it. I earned an associate’s degree in graphic arts from Parkland College in 1984.

My mother and aunt were wonderful artists. I have seven siblings and every one of us has been either interested in or employed in design. I have two sons, and one designs computer games and the other is majoring in art in college.

Besides art, what are your other interests?

I love to sail. My husband and I have friends who have boats and we sail on Clinton Lake. We also love to entertain. My other interest is landscaping.

– Interview by Sharita Forrest, Assistant Editor
The awardees include a chief scientist for the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA) and an astronaut who has conducted extensive space research.

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- **Fourth of the university’s operating budget, annual gifts have become essential to maintaining educational quality, Andrejasich said.**
  - "In the day-to-day business of running a program at this university, there’s always those gaps that aren’t covered by your general fund. You may have gifts agreements – whether it’s scholarships or endowed chairs – that is like going to the movies. Nobody had a video clip of Gunn as the bird catcher Papagno in last year’s Metro-politan Opera production of "The Magic Flute" and images of him in the shirt-free role of the bird catcher Papagno in last year’s Metro-politan Opera production of "The Magic Flute".

### On the web

- View May 6 video (for a limited time)
  - www.uic.edu/gots/gunnscobert

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Iron ‘snow’ helps maintain mercury’s magnetic field

By James E. Kloeppe1

ews scientific evidence suggests that deep inside the planet Mercury, iron “snow” forms and falls toward the center of the planet, much like snowflakes form in Earth’s atmosphere and fall to the ground.

The movement of this iron snow could be responsible for Mercury’s mysterious magnetic field, say researchers from the UI and Case Western Reserve University. In a paper published in the April issue of the journal Geophysical Research Letters, the scientists describe laboratory measurements and models that mimic conditions believed to exist within Mercury’s core.

“Mercury’s snowing core opens up new scenarios where convection may originate and generate global magnetic fields,” said UI geology professor Jie (Jackie) Li. “Our findings have direct implications for our understanding of the nature and evolution of Mercury’s core, and those of other planets and moons.”

Mercury is the innermost planet in our solar system and, other than Earth, the only terrestrial planet that possesses a global magnetic field. Discovered in the 1970s by NASA’s Mariner 10 spacecraft and confirmed by the MESSENGER spacecraft that went into orbit around the planet in 2015, Mercury’s magnetic field is about 100 times weaker than Earth’s. Most models cannot account for such a weak magnetic field.

Made mostly of iron, Mercury’s core is also thought to contain sulfur, which lowers the melting point of iron and plays an important role in producing the planet’s magnetic field.

“Recent Earth-based radar measurements of Mercury’s rotation revealed a slight rocking motion that implied the planet’s core is at least partially molten,” said Illinois graduate student Bin Chen, the paper’s lead author. “But, in the absence of seismological data from the planet’s interior, we know very little about its core.”

To better understand the physical state of Mercury’s core, researchers used a multi-anvil apparatus to study the melting behavior of an iron-sulfur mixture at high pressures and high temperatures.

In each experiment, an iron-sulfur sample was compressed to a specific pressure and heated to a specific temperature. The sample was then quenched, cut in two, and analyzed with a scanning electron microscope and an electron probe microanalyzer.

“Rapid quenching preserves the sample’s texture, which reveals the separation of the solid and liquid phases, and the sulfur content in each phase,” Chen said. “Based on our experimental results, we can infer what is going on in Mercury’s core.”

As the molten, iron-sulfur mixture in the outer core slowly cools, iron atoms condense into a solid phase and evolve a weak magnetic field. Mercury’s core is most likely precipitating iron snow in two distinct zones, the researchers report. This double-snow scenario may be unique among the terrestrial planets and terrestrial-like moons in our solar system.

“Our findings provide a new context into which forthcoming observational data from NASA’s MESSENGER spacecraft can be placed,” Li said. “We can now connect the physical state of our own innermost planet with the formation and evolution of terrestrial planets in general.”

With Li and Chen, Case Western Reserve University planetary geodynamics professor Steven A. Hauck II was a co-author of the paper.

The work was funded by the National Science Foundation.

Study shows ‘snowballing futility’ for workers in arbitration

By Jan Dennis

A hedge-podge of state laws has created legal land mines that are blow- ing away arbitration as a way for workers to resolve workplace disputes.

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Meanwhile, he says state courts can validate awards based on a myriad of broader standards enacted by state legislatures, ranging from tight filing deadlines for claims to strict conflict-of-interest disclosure requirements for arbitrators.

“If you set up enough inquisitors, no arbitrator is agile enough to avoid all of them,” LeRoy said.

LeRoy says judicial review is becoming an insurance program that protects employers from costly awards. Meanwhile, he says it creates a “morbid” hazard, leaving employees with little recourse when awards are vacated.

Some give up and drop the case, while others go back to arbitration, racking up legal fees they may never recover, LeRoy said.

“My research shows disaster cases where the parties are in their third or fourth arbitration,” he said. “That’s a tremendous perversion of the process. It’s supposed to be less time consuming and costly than court. But I literally have cases that are running for 10 or 12 years.”

LeRoy says the solution is requiring both federal and state courts to follow the narrower standards of the Federal Arbitration Act, which he says was intended to create a single set of rules for the nation. But he doubts the notion will fly, with so much money at stake for business and on-going political battles between Republicans, who back arbitration, and Democrats, who don’t.

“I think it’s a classic pie-in-the-sky solution,” he said. “It’s a common-sense solution, so therefore it probably won’t happen.”
A workshop focusing on Advanced Materials Characterization will be June 11-12. The workshop will provide a two-day condensed overview of the most important analytical techniques available in the Center for Microanalysis of Materials, with a strong focus on practical applications and problem solving strategies. The workshop will cover techniques such as atomic force microscopy, X-ray diffraction and reactivity, scanning electron microscopy, Auger electron spectroscopy, X-ray photoelectron spectroscopy and others. The lectures will be given by Frederick Seitz Materials Research Laboratory scientists with more than 10 years of hands-on experience in each technique.

For more information, go to http://cmm.mrl.uiuc.edu/workshop2008/ or contact Mauro Sardela, sardela@illinois.edu, or Ramona Simpson, 333-1381 or rsimpso@illinois.edu. The deadline for required registration is June 2.

**School of Music**

Harmonic practices are June 5-7

The heavenly sounds of harp music will fill the late spring air on campus June 5-7 as the UI School of Music hosts the 2008 Summer Harp Class. The event’s agenda includes five free public concerts in the recital hall of Smith Hall and in the Music Building auditorium.

“This year’s concerts promise to bring some of the top talent in the nation to Urbana,” said Ann Yeung, a UI professor of music and director of the class. That talent includes 14-year-old Noel Wan and 17-year-old Mackenzie Hammel, both of whom were selected to represent the U.S. at the World Harp Congress in Amsterdam in July.

The opening concert, at 7:30 p.m. on June 5 at Smith Hall, will feature UI doctoral student Julia Kay Jamieson performing chamber works for pedal harp and the Dilling Harp.

Subsequent performances:

- June 6, noon, Smith Hall, featuring UI student Molly McKenzie, a 2008 National Anne Adams Award finalist.
- June 6, 7:30 p.m., Music Building, featuring Jamieson and Wan.
- June 7, 2 p.m., Music Building, featuring 17-year-old harpist-composer Molly N. O’Roark, Katherine Denner and Stephanie Gustafson.
- June 7, 7:30 p.m., Music Building, finale featuring class participants performing Jamieson’s arrangement of a Beatles song for multiple harps.

**Summer Jazz Festival is June 4-6**

The spirit of jazz trumpeter Maynard Ferguson will live on during much of this year’s Summer Jazz Festival hosted by the School of Music June 4-6 in the Foellinger Great Hall, Krannert Center for the Performing Arts. Concerts begin at 7:30 p.m. each night.

The festival, which features performances by UI faculty members, kicks off with an evening of jazz concerts with full symphony orchestra. Opening-night featured performers will be vocalist Lisanne Lyons; Jim Pugh, trombone; and Chip McNeil, saxophone.

Ferguson’s music moves center stage on June 5 in a program titled “The Music of ‘Big Bop Nouveau,’” a reference to a band formed in the late 1980s by the legendary trumpeter. Selections will include “Birdland,” “Caravan” and “A Night in Tunisia.”

The closing-night theme will be “The Birdland Dream Band and Beyond.” The title references a 14-piece big band formed by Morris Levy in 1956 to play at his Birdland jazz club in New York City. Ferguson led the short-lived band, which recorded two albums. However, the outfit formed the core of Ferguson’s performing band for the next nine years, and included a rotating cast of players that included Slide Hampton, Don Ellis, Peter Erskine and many others.

Tickets are available at the Krannert Center ticket office, 333-6280, or online at www.krannertcenter.com.

**Illinois Fire Service Institute**

Fire Academy open house is May 30

The Illinois Fire Service Institute will host the State Fire Academy Open House 7:30-10 p.m. May 30 at its training grounds at 11 Gerty Drive, Champaign.

The open house will allow the community to step inside the State Fire Academy and witness firefighting and rescue demonstrations. Demonstrations include firefighters tackling a staged live liquid propane fire; extraction of an accident victim from an automobile; and activation of an auto airbag.

GROWMARK will provide an exhibit that allows visitors to step inside a propane tanker.

The public is invited to attend. For more information, call 333-3800.

**Illini Union Art Gallery**

‘Censored’ art on display

Paintings and installations by UI alumnus Brian J. Sullivan are on view through Sept. 2 at the Illini Union Art Gallery in an exhibition titled “CENSORED.”

Most of the art — which includes pieces on loan from private collections — has never been seen in public before because of censorship issues, according to Sullivan.

Wall text accompanying the exhibition notes that the Champaign-based artist’s work has, over the course of his 30-year career, “reflected the political, social and economic injustices of our times.”

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Music in the Garden: Big Bluesette and The Javelinas, a folk, blues, country and western swing group will entertain the crowd. Allerton Park and Retreat Center.

* Sunday

Let Us Entertain You. Caitlin Dobbs and Dan Perrino at 10 a.m. Stage 5, Krannert Center. Dobbs, who is in the eighth grade and co-chefaly Perrino, will perform a repertoire of songs made famous by America’s greatest jazz singers.

May 20

* Monday

Summer Jazz Festival. Kay Jamieson, harp. 7:30 p.m. Colwell Memorial Room, Smith Hall.

May 21

* Tuesday

Summer Jazz Festival. Laura Lyons, Jim Pugh and Chris McNeill. UI. UI vs. Purdue Baseball. 2:30 p.m. Memorial Stadium.

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“Strange Habit” 10-11 a.m. the UI School of Art and Design, 101 s. First Street. $5/20, free for students. 1-5 p.m. Thursday of the month. $5/person.

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May 22

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“Capleso” 10 a.m.-5 p.m. UI Museum of Natural History. 1-5 p.m. Sunday.

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“Mad Hatter’s Tea Party.” 2-4 p.m. Allerton Park Sunken Garden. 515 Old Timber Road. Monticello. Families are invited to the Sunken Garden to play croquet, listen to stories, play games, and, of course, enjoy light snacks and treats at the tea party. Each family will receive a copy of “Alice in Wonderland” to take home. Pre-registration is required, call 333-3287 or e-mail allertoninfo@uiuc.edu.

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U.S. no longer superpower, now a besieged global power

The United States remains a formidable but besieged global power, according to the editors of “From Superpower to Besieged Global Power: Restoring World Order After the Failure of the Bush Doctrine” (University of Georgia Press).

The new book, co-edited by Edward A. Kolodziej, the director of the Center for Global Studies at the UI, and Roger E. Kanet, a professor of international studies at the University of Miami, evaluates the extent to which the Bush Doctrine, as the rationale for the projection of American power and purpose, has succeeded in shaping world order and regional politics to reflect and support American interests and values.

The editors and contributors, drawn from 10 nations, conclude that the doctrine, detailed in the September 2002 National Security Strategy of the United States, squandered enormous military and economic resources, diminished U.S. power, undermined the nation’s reputation as a defender of democratic values and human rights, divided Americans, and gravely (but still not fatally) undermined American hard and soft power to influence world order in preferred ways.

A central explanation for the failure of American security and foreign policy under the Bush administration lies in the unfounded assumption underlying the Bush Doctrine that the United States is a superpower capable of coercing rivals and inducing allies and neutral nations to support the Bush vision of world order. The doctrine led policies that overstretched the reach of American power beyond its grasp, most obviously in Iraq and Afghanistan, but also around the globe.

Notwithstanding recent setbacks, the U.S. remains a formidable global power, one of a few states capable of significantly influencing but not dictating the trajectories of global and regional politics and the evolution of world order, the editors say.

The volume rejects the Bush administration’s unilateralist, pre-emption strategy, inspired, the editors argue, by neo-conservatives, whose championing of the United States as the world’s sole superpower dominated, until recently, the administration’s security and foreign policies.

“The book also rejects the counter liberal argument that the United States is, indeed, a superpower, which has used its material and human resources incompetently,” Kolodziej said. “According to this train of thinking, all that is needed is a better management of its soft and hard power to retain what is misguidedly assumed to be the continued superpower status of the United States.”

Finally, the authors dismiss what Kolodziej calls the declinist argument, most popular in the 1990s and still accepted by some at home and abroad, that holds that the U.S. is a quickly declining power that will be overtaken soon by China—much as Japan was once thought to be on the verge of overtaking the U.S.

U.S. power and influence are greatest when the U.S. adheres to moral norms and legal standards, and operates according to the political accords and agreements reached with other like-minded states and peoples, Kolodziej said. The latter, in cooperation with the United States, form the coalition of open, democratic, market-oriented states and peoples who arose ascendant from the Cold War struggle. It is this winning coalition that the ill-advised policies generated by the Bush Doctrine place in jeopardy.

The editors and contributors agree that U.S. security and foreign policy must be based on understanding the limits of U.S. economic, cultural and military power to mold world order in a way that reflects American interests. They also propose ways, emphasizing the reconstitution of American power at home, as the preconditions for the effective projection of American power abroad.

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Council of Academic Professionals Meeting
1:30 p.m. First Thursday monthly, location varies. More info: www.cap.uiuc.edu or mrubley@uiuc.edu.

UIUC Falun Dafa Practice group
4-10/10 2 p.m. each Sunday. 405 Illini Union. More info: 244-2571.

French Department: Pause Café
6 p.m. Thursdays, Espresso Royale, 1117 W. Orington St., Urbana.

Illini Folk Dance Society
8-10 p.m. Tuesday and some Saturdays, Illini Union. Beginners welcome, 396-6666.

Italian Table
Italian conversation Mondays at noon, Intermezzo Café, KCPA.

Lifetime Fitness Program
6-8:50 a.m. Monday-Friday. Kinesiology, 244-3983.

Normal Person’s Book Discussion Group
7 p.m. 317 Illini Union. More info: 355-3167 or www.uiuc.edu/beesly.

PC User Group
3 p.m. first Thursday of every month. The Bread Company, 706 S. Goodwin Ave., Urbana. More info: clausino@uiuc.edu.

Secretariat
11:45 a.m.-1 p.m. third Wednesday monthly. Illini Union. More info: www.uiuc.edu/secretariat.

The Deutsche Verlagsgruppe
1-3 p.m. Wednesday. The Bread Company, 706 S. Goodwin Ave., Urbana.

The Illinois Club
Opens to male and female faculty and staff members and spouses. For more info: www.TheIllinoisClub.org.

VOICE
Poetry and fiction reading. 7:45 p.m. Third Thursday of each month. The Bread Company, 706 S. Goodwin Ave., Urbana.