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# PRESIDENT'S REPORT



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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

## That All May Gather Together

*The principle of gathering plays a fundamental role in the university's distinctive learning environment and in a BYU-Idaho education.*



This is a season of revelation and a time of great change at Brigham Young University-Idaho. All around us we see the university moving forward on the steady upward course the Lord has set.

Three great imperatives focus our efforts: (1) improve the quality of a BYU-Idaho education, (2) serve more students, and (3) lower the relative cost of education. Your participation makes a significant contribution to our progress.

Currently, one of the most exciting developments at BYU-Idaho is the impending dedication of the new BYU-Idaho Center and the renovated and expanded Hyrum Manwaring Student Center. These significant construction projects address two essential needs—space for vital student and alumni activities and primary facilities for gathering.

BYU-Idaho students gather together for study, sociality, service, and a variety of activities. They gather in large and small groups to learn from, teach, and strengthen one another. Gathering plays a fundamental role in the university's distinctive learning environment and in a BYU-Idaho education.

Prior to the groundbreaking ceremony for the Manwaring Center and the BYU-Idaho Center, Elder David A. Bednar taught the following concerning righteous gathering:

The Lord gathers His people to worship, to build up the Church, for a defense, and to receive counsel and instruction. . . .

At BYU-Idaho you gather to worship the Father in the name of the Son, to build up the Church and the university, to find defense and protection, and to receive counsel and instruction. You gather together to learn and to prepare for your mortal and eternal opportunities and responsibilities. You gather together to strengthen each other.<sup>1</sup>

The spiritual purposes of gathering make the construction of suitable gathering places both wise in preserving and enhancing BYU-Idaho's learning environment and vital in carrying out its mission to develop disciples of Jesus Christ. The BYU-Idaho Center and Manwaring Center will greatly contribute to the possibilities for gathering together on this "sacred and set apart campus."<sup>2</sup>

In this issue of *President's Report*, you will learn more about the university's priority to create new and improve existing gathering places.

Thank you for participating with us in this great work. We are very blessed to have your friendship and support. ✨

<sup>1</sup> Elder David A. Bednar, "The Spirit and Purposes of Gathering," devotional address, October 31, 2006

<sup>2</sup> Elder David A. Bednar, Thomas E. Ricks Dedication, February 18, 2005

# YOUR DONATIONS AT WORK

Preserving and enhancing BYU-Idaho's singular learning environment.

## CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS AND CAMPUS BEAUTIFICATION ENRICH STUDENTS' SPIRITUAL, ACADEMIC, AND SOCIAL EXPERIENCES

BYU-Idaho has a distinctive atmosphere for learning and living. The campus is a place where students feel welcome and at home, where they gather to gain an education and enjoy righteous sociality. Our efforts to preserve and refine this singular learning environment represent exciting developments on campus.

New BYU-Idaho Center and Manwaring Student Center Expansion  
The breathtaking new BYU-Idaho Center has been constructed

on land immediately south of the John W. Hart Physical Education Building and next to the Hyrum Manwaring Student Center. With an auditorium that seats 15,000, this facility is large enough for the entire student body to gather in one location.

The BYU-Idaho Center also has a multi-use space equivalent in size to 10 basketball courts for sports, recreational, social, humanitarian, and other Activities Program events.

Your contributions have assisted with the acquisition of high-tech equipment, magnificent artwork for the spacious lobbies, and an electronic organ rated among the best available.

### Campus Enhancements

Many charitable individuals have made artwork and equipment acquisitions possible throughout the university. This philanthropic support enables the

purchase of inspiring artwork and sculptures found in every campus building and throughout the outdoor gathering places.

### Outdoor Beautification

Beyond the walls of the many buildings on campus, donations toward Outdoor Beautification encompasses efforts to construct new and improve existing outdoor spaces.

The most significant effort currently underway in this area is the creation of three outdoor courtyards: (1) the BYU-Idaho Center Quad, a new courtyard between the BYU-Idaho Center and the Manwaring Center; (2) the McKay Quad, a remodeled courtyard between the Manwaring Center and the McKay

Library, to include an outdoor amphitheater; and (3) the Temple Walkway, a new path extending past the Ricks Building to the Rexburg Idaho Temple on Seventh South.

All of these construction and beautification projects present great opportunities to bring added beauty to the campus and enhance its warm and friendly spirit. Each will provide essential connections not only among buildings but, more importantly, among the students. Thus, everything from auditoriums and artwork to walkways and courtyards serves a spiritual purpose—to create places of gathering.



ENHANCE BYU-IDAHO'S PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT TO ENRICH STUDENTS' SPIRITUAL, ACADEMIC, AND SOCIAL EXPERIENCES



*Enhance the landscape and acquire appropriate artwork and sculpture.*

*Construct new and improve existing outdoor spaces for gathering.*

*Enhance indoor gathering places to encourage student social interaction and academic exchange.*

BYU-Idaho students gather to strengthen each other and develop appropriate relationships through righteous sociality.



## THANKS TO YOU Scholarships and grants-in-aid help BYU-Idaho students pursue their education goals.



**JACOB HONSVICK—**  
**ARBUCKLE, CA** "I know that many of the goals that I have will change as time goes on, but I am excited to see what the future will hold. Hopefully, when all is said and done, I will have been able to make a difference in the world for good. I know that this is possible to accomplish, just as you are making a difference through your generosity. Thank you for your kindness and love."



**ANNEKA R. WALKER—**  
**OTHELLO, WA** "Thank you for the generous donation that has enabled me to attend school. As a homemaker, the online program has been a unique blessing that has fit into my life perfectly, and allowed me to pursue my degree from the home front. I appreciate this opportunity to become a better and more educated person. I know that the experience I gain will directly influence my family. Thank you for giving me the opportunity to continue my learning."



**AMAREE WRIGHT—**  
**PORT ORCHARD, WA** "I want to express my greatest appreciation for the generous donation. There are three kids in my family that are in college right now, and money is tight at home due to my mom's cancer bills. This is a great blessing to have this award. Thank you for helping me fulfill my dream to be a teacher. Your kindness will not be forgotten."



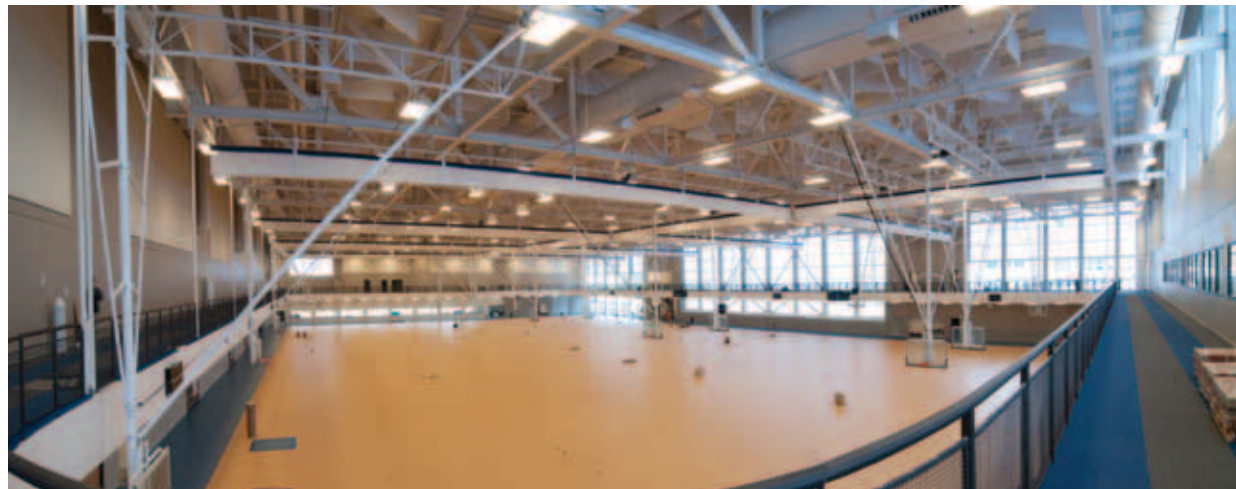
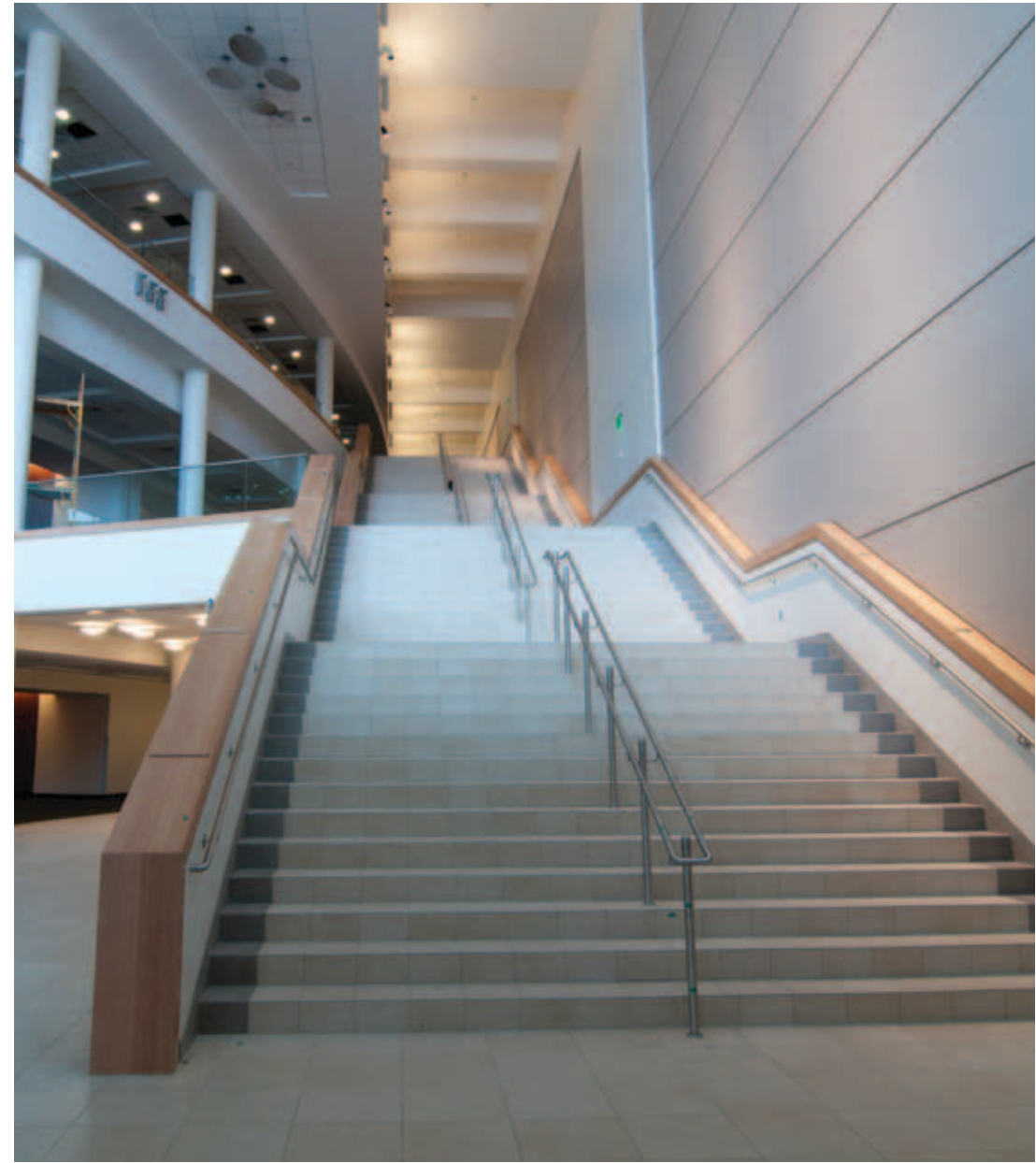
PRESIDENT HENRY B. EYRING, first counselor in the First Presidency of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, will dedicate the BYU-Idaho Center and Hyrum Manwaring Student Center on December 17, 2010.

# THE BYU-IDAHO CENTER



BYU-Idaho Center notable statistics:

- 20,000 cubic yards of concrete
- 7,000 tons of steel
- 75,000 cubic yards of rock removed
- 4 acres of roofing
- 7,000 light fixtures
- Longest steel truss: 258'
- 16 restrooms
- 167 toilet fixtures
- 4 elevators
- 10 multi-use courts in gymnasium
- 4 lane jogging track 1/5<sup>th</sup> mile long



THE BYU-IDAHO CENTER has a multi-use space equivalent in size to 10 basketball courts. Its design allows for simultaneously occurring sports, recreational, and social events. This area will also provide space for various academic needs.



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**THIS HIGH-TECH FACILITY** provides a gathering place for the entire student body with seating for 15,000. As a fully functioning, high definition broadcast center, it has been designed primarily for weekly campus devotionals, commencement ceremonies, performances, and CES broadcasts.  
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## A GATHERING OF FRIENDS

President's Club members experience camaraderie with one another and students at recent luncheon.



### DONORS ENJOY TOUR OF THE BYU-IDAHO CENTER AND VISIT WITH PRESIDENT CLARK


On October 23, 2010, President Kim B. Clark and his wife Sue hosted members of the President's Club on the BYU-Idaho campus. Attendees were treated to a tour of the BYU-Idaho Center in advance of its scheduled dedication on December 17.

Following the tour, guests were greeted by the Clarks and mingled with one another and students during a pre-lunch reception. Lunch for the group of 350 was held in The Crossroads food court. BYU-Idaho's women's, men's, and Collegiate Singers choirs combined to present three musical numbers. President Clark then addressed the group, thanking them for their generous support of the university and its students.

For more information about the BYU-Idaho President's Club or to become a member, please call LDS Philanthropies at 800-227-4257.

**Ron & Joanne McIntire honored by BYU-Idaho for lives of generosity and service:** In every sense, Ron and Joanne McIntire of Hayden, Idaho, are true philanthropists. They have been watching out for others their entire lives. BYU-Idaho students and all who know and associate with Ron and Joanne are blessed by their generosity, which they have always demonstrated in a quiet way.

The McIntires learned to share at an early age from the examples of their parents and grandparents. Of their own lives of service and generosity, Ron says, "Even when we didn't have much, it seemed like we always had enough that we could share. It makes you feel good that you're able and willing to do it."

The BYU-Idaho Presidential Service Award is awarded to recognize individuals who have shown great love for others through their freewill gifts. President Clark presented the McIntires with this prestigious award at the President's Club luncheon on October 23, 2010. 



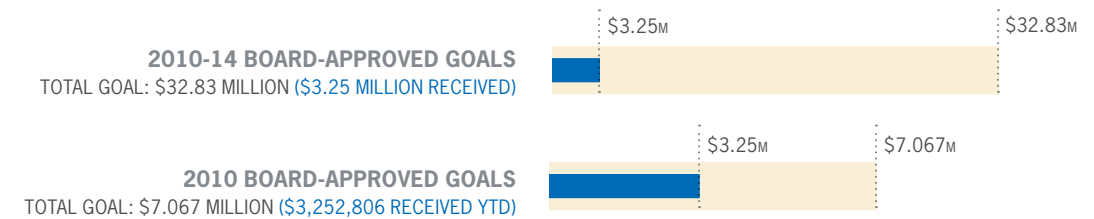
### SENIOR RALPH JOHNSON DISCOVERS GENUINE LOVE FOR OTHERS MOTIVATES BYU-IDAHO DONORS

"It is obvious that BYU-Idaho donors have a great love for the students. I knew being a student host at President's Club would be a great opportunity to personally thank donors for what they do for students. I never expected to feel so much love in return. The donors I met sincerely wanted to get to know me and my plans for the future. I saw that they have a genuine love for the school and for helping students become disciples of Jesus Christ. We students are blessed to have such a great support system cheering us on and helping us obtain our dreams. I have a new appreciation for the Lord's hand in BYU-Idaho and how donors are helping advance His work. Their sacrifice will forever bless my life."

▼ Ralph Johnson is a senior majoring in Business Management at BYU-Idaho. After his graduation in April 2011, Ralph and his wife Elisa will move to Salt Lake City, Utah. There he will begin his career at Goldman Sachs, where he interned this past summer.

Photo taken by Kristopher Orr, a senior from Fort MacLeod, Alberta, Canada.

### FUNDRAISING UPDATE



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*President Kim B. Clark* 



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