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After 18 turbulent months, Bill Moos finally has reason to smile. **PAGE 15**



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Frohnmmayer: 'It's a very happy day for us'

■ With Nike CEO Phil Knight back on board, the Autzen Stadium expansion is scheduled to be completed by fall 2002

By Hank Hager
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The nearly 18-month saga between the University and Phil Knight has come to an end, and for those in the Athletic Department, it could not have come at a better time.

Knight's announcement Wednesday ensured that the \$85 million Autzen Stadium expansion, scheduled since November 1999, will go through as planned, although there have been bumps in the road.

In April 2000, Knight, who was—and is now again—considered the principal donor for the project, announced he would no longer donate to the University, citing the school's involvement with the Worker Rights Consortium. The University and Knight have requested that the amount of the donation be kept confidential.

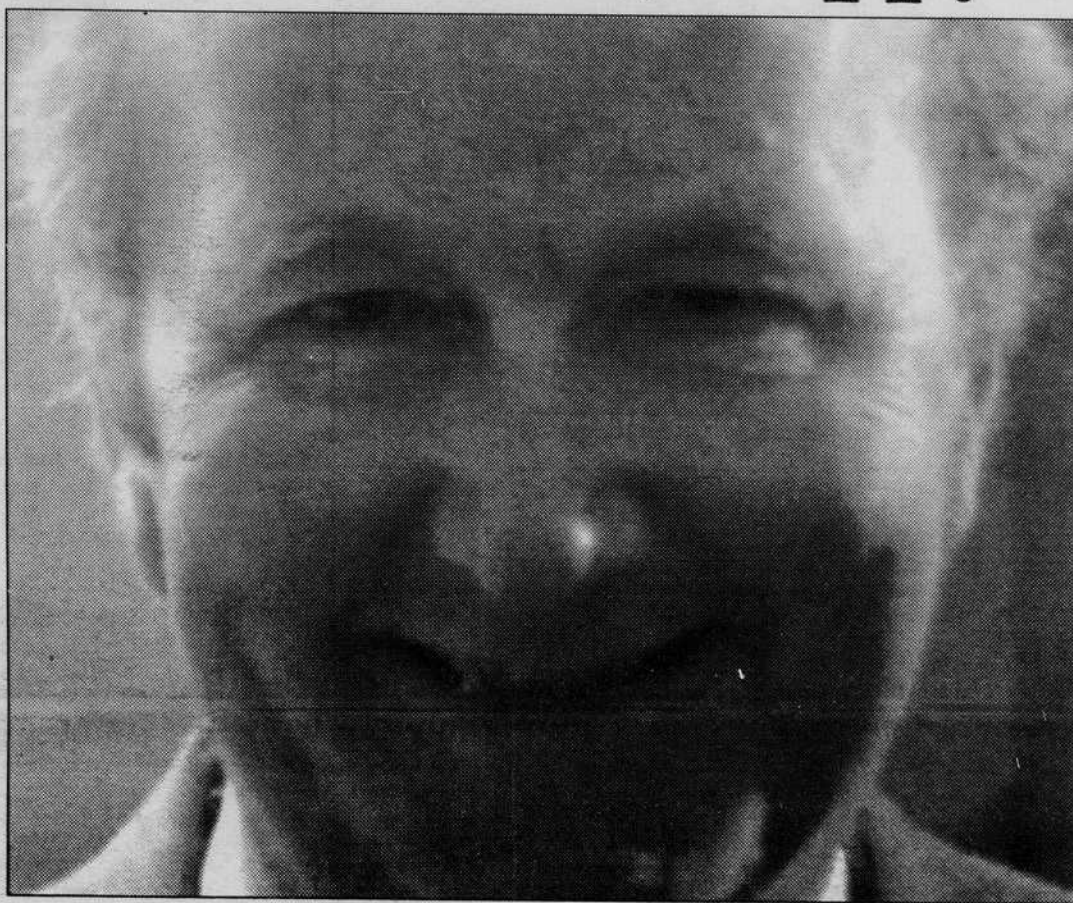
When he announced his decision in 2000, Knight said, "At this time, this is not a situation that can be resolved. The bonds of trust, which allowed me to give at a high level, have been shredded."

Knight had originally planned to donate \$30 million to the University, all of which was scheduled to go to the Autzen project. Because the money was pulled, the expansion was put in danger. It ended up being pushed back a year behind schedule.

In summer 2001, the expansion finally began. NexTurf replaced OmniTurf as the playing surface, but was not installed permanently, due to the scheduled addition of 12,000 more seats. Most will be on the south side of the stadium. Room was made for the new seats by raising the scoreboard 30 feet and moving it 30 feet back. Other additions include a new utility ring around the stadium, the North ticket building, and a perimeter fence.

But all of the moves pale in comparison to the increased seating, which Athletic Director Bill Moos called a significant revenue source.

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University President Dave Frohnmmayer is all smiles at Tuesday's press conference, where he announced Nike CEO and UO alumnus Phil Knight will resume his history of donating money to the school.

Knight gives reasons for return

Phil Knight's decision to resume his philanthropic relationship with the University comes hard on the heels of the recent terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon. The billionaire chairman and CEO of Nike said he hopes the decision to resume his relationship with the University will help in the healing process.



KNIGHT

"For all of us, a tragedy of this nature can kindle one's desire to reunify with a distant sibling or friend with whom you may have had a dispute," Knight wrote in an opinion piece in The Oregonian yesterday. "You

recognize how much you love them, miss them, and perhaps even hold them dearer than you did before."

Knight went on to say that he had verbally committed to resuming his relationship with the University before the attacks. He cited a number of reasons and emotions—including the possibility of delays to the ongoing \$85 million renovation of Autzen Stadium—that had surfaced in the 17 months since he decided to end his relationship with the University. He also credited the efforts of alumni, school officials and friends who "were just not willing to let this relationship die" with helping his decision.

"I guess I reached the conclusion that a man without a country is not the only lonely man," Knight concluded. "For me, 'alma mater' became more than just an expression. And 'community' means more than just my home address."

—Leon Tovey

■ Nike CEO Phil Knight announced Wednesday he will continue to help fund the expansion of Autzen Stadium

By John Liebhardt
Oregon Daily Emerald

Once again, the University has its man. They also have his money.

Nike CEO Phil Knight, the University's largest donor and a former Duck, decided that he wanted to "reunite" with the University of Oregon and will

donate an unspecified amount of money to the \$85 million Autzen Stadium renovation plan. This marks the first time in 17 months that Knight has publicly donated money to the University.

"It's a very happy day for us," University President Dave Frohnmmayer said at a press conference to acknowledge the donation, which was announced Wednesday in an opinion piece in The Oregonian.

Knight and the University have been estranged since April 2000 over issues surrounding labor rights and the apparatus in which groups monitor the conditions of textile factories contracted by U.S. companies. Knight cut off ties to the University after it joined the Workers Rights Consortium, a group critical of the factories contracted by many U.S.-based shoe and apparel makers, including Nike.

The issue, which Frohnmmayer called a "controversy that was deeply painful for all of us," came to a head when Knight released a statement indicating he would make no further donations to the University.

However, University officials spent most of yesterday speaking of the future and not dwelling on the past. Frohnmmayer called Knight's change of mind "one of the most heartwarming acts of reconciliation that I have ever seen in my life."

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Lane County Red Cross volunteers travel east for relief effort

■ A few Lane County residents have traveled east to assist with disaster relief

By Alahan Sivam
for the Emerald

For two weeks, relief workers and volunteers have rallied together in New York and Washington, D.C., to assist in recovery efforts after the terrorist attacks. Now, Lane County volunteers are among them.

Three Lane County Red Cross volunteers are currently providing assistance at the disaster sites. Howard

Guillory is working in family services at the former World Trade Center. Shantel Smith is working at the Pentagon doing mass care, and Cecil Kribs is working in family services at hospitals near the Pentagon.

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Madison Middle School, has been doing volunteer work with Red Cross for the last five years. Kribs said he became involved with Red Cross because he

"wanted to try and leave the world a little bit better."

"I wanted to give something back," he said.

Kribs has been working primarily at the Washington Hospital Center, as well as at the Walter Reed Army Hospital. His duties in family services involve providing food, clothing and shelter to the family members of those who were injured and hospitalized in the attack on the Pentagon on Sept. 11. Kribs works alongside a nurse and a mental health volunteer.

"The number [of disaster victims in the hospital] is small now, but they are very severe," Kribs said.

Kribs said this is a difficult and emotional time for the victims and their families because they go through cycles of grief, anger and self-pity.

"You see the whole gamut of emotions," he said.

Kribs is spending about three weeks at the Pentagon site. He will return to Eugene in less than two weeks, unless he is asked to stay longer.

"It's a pretty big hole," Kribs said of the site. "The pictures do not convey the full impact of it."

Locally, the Lane County chapter of the American Red Cross has raised more than \$70,000 for the

National Disaster Relief Fund, said Red Cross spokeswoman Jenny Carrick. Many local businesses and individuals have contributed to the fund. This money would normally be used for disasters throughout the nation, Carrick said, but right now all the money in the fund is being donated to New York and the Pentagon.

"Fundraising is a huge piece of what the Red Cross is doing locally," Carrick said. As of Sept. 17, the American Red Cross had received nationwide donations of \$106 million to assist the terrorist attack relief efforts, she said. That

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