The Zapatista Murals of Chiapas.” Betty (an acclaimed artist, author, teacher, and activist) discussed her fall 2006 Hannon Library exhibit, which was inspired by her global exchange tour to Zapatista communities in Chiapas, Mexico, in 2003. Two programs remain for this year’s lecture series. All lectures will be held in the Meese Meeting Room (LIB 305). Mark your calendars!

January 25, 2007 / 7:00 p.m.: William Stafford Poetry Event: Readings by local poets to celebrate the former Poet Laureate’s birthday

March 8, 2007 / 4:00 p.m.: Marc Ratner “Two European Novelistes: Jose Saramago & Italo Calvino”

May 17, 2007 / 6:30 p.m.: An Evening with the Poet Laureate: Annual benefit dinner with Keynote Speaker

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AHH BACK TO SCHOOL
The thought of actually going back to school is quite intimidating for some. It could mean moving into a strange environment, meeting new people, and feeling lost at every turn.

For others, going back to school means doing the same old thing as last year: Classes, homework, getting up extra early to make sure enough change for that double mocha latte at the Library Coffee Shop, which is essential for survival in any 8 a.m. class. Okay, so the latter illustrates my daily routine (or at least my twice-a-week routine), but whether you’re an avid coffee drinker or not, classes and homework are something we all have to suffer through.

It is nice to be back on campus. I realized the other day that I actually should feel smarter when I walk into the library. And it just so happens that when I feel smarter, I have more of an inclination to work on my homework.

My goal for this term is to go in and out of the library as often as I need to in order to get my homework done on time. Don’t laugh—it actually works. If you see a strange girl pacing around the library, leave me alone because I have a research paper due soon.

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RECENT GIFTs
HANNON LIBRARY has again received significant donations in recent months. Luc Doublé of OSF gave Hannon Library an additional 71 theatre and art books, bringing the total donation to 458. Our collection of books and periodicals relating to enology and viticulture continues to grow with contributions from regional wineries and wine experts such as John Clarke, who gave Hannon Library thirty-five issues of the journal Wine Maker.

Michael L. Hays gave Hannon Library 30 additional books for the Michael L. Hays Collection, which now numbers around 1,600 volumes. Thomas Heinmets of Ashland donated 450 German language books. Marilyn Teple of Medford gave the library nearly 370 journal issues. The Art Gym in Maryburg, Oregon, gave Hannon Library a collection of art catalogs and books. SOU Professor of Sociology and Anthropology Anne Chambers also gave books to Hannon Library. We lack space to acknowledge everyone who recently donated books and other materials to the library. These generous gifts are much appreciated!