

Franklin Savings Recognized for Significant Contributions

President Wilbur Wheaton and trustee Ransom Bennett met early this fall with Franklin Savings Association directors at the FSA corporate headquarters in Ottawa to express appreciation for major contributions which the Association has made to the University in recent months.

At the meeting, FSA President Duane Hall and Wheaton announced and signed into effect an agreement establishing the Franklin Savings Association/Arthur Mag Fellowship in Business-Economics. Under the agreement, FSA will provide a full-tuition stipend annually, renewable for four years, to an incoming freshman pursuing a degree in business/economics at OU. Named in honor of Arthur Mag, former associate of FSA board chair Ernest Fleischer, the fellowship is intended "to enhance the quality of education within the academic discipline of business-economics and to improve the quality of young professionals entering the field."

In a second item of appreciation, Wheaton presented the Association's chief executives a bronze plaque commemorating late OU alumnus Dean Berlin '26, a former Ottawa businessman and chief executive officer of FSA. In tribute to Mr. Berlin, the Association provided significant financial assistance to the University in the expansion of its campus. The plaque will be displayed in the lobby of the corporate headquarters in Ottawa.

Named as the first recipient, for the fall of 1987, of the Franklin Savings Association/Arthur Mag Fellowship is Diane Ouellette from Princeton, Kansas. A 1987 graduate of Central Heights High School, Miss Ouellette was class valedictorian, vice-president of the National Honor Society and senior class Student Council representative. She also participated in speech, drama and athletics.

Fellowship recipients are selected following a careful review and interview process by a committee of OU business/economics members. Valued at nearly \$19,000 over the course of four years, the Franklin Savings Association/Arthur Mag Fellowship is now the single largest fellowship or scholarship



President Wheaton presented a bronze plaque to Franklin Savings Association President Duane Hall (left) and FSA Board Chair Ernest Fleischer commemorating the significant contributions to OU by FSA in memory of the late Dean Berlin '26.

offered at Ottawa University.

In his remarks, Wheaton noted that: "Not only has Franklin Savings assisted Ottawa University through these significant contributions, it has taken a step to strengthen the future of the community, and of the industry, by attract-

ing and supporting dedicated and qualified young persons to the field of business-economics. We are most grateful that Mr. Fleischer and Mr. Hall have committed the resources of their notable institution to this worthy purpose." ■

European Cross-Cultural Study

Ronda Anderson, junior business administration major, returned to campus this fall after a six-week trip to Europe as the 1987 recipient of the Jerry Campbell Cross-Cultural Scholarship.



For the first half of her trip, Ronda studied French at the EF Language Institute in Nice, France. Having purchased a Eurail Youth Pass, she was able to travel freely throughout Europe, and during the remaining three weeks, she visited Spain, Italy, Germany, Austria, Switzerland, Sweden, and Belgium. One especially memorable experience involved a bus ride down the Romantic Road in Germany, followed by an excursion by boat down the Rhine River, lined with beautiful castles.

"What impressed me most" Ronda reminisced, "was the pride that the Swiss have in their country." She

related the story of a trip she took one morning during which she passed a man grooming an immaculate lawn along a rural roadway — and upon her return, the man was sweeping the clippings from the road. "This was just so typical of the manner in which the Swiss people tend to everything."

Ronda, who came to Ottawa University from Palisade, Colorado, said of the trip: "It strengthened the values I already had, and I now know more clearly what I want out of life. God was definitely with me; he helped me out immensely."

The Jerry Campbell Cross-Cultural Scholarship is awarded annually to an OU student for the purpose of summer cross-cultural study. The endowed scholarship was established as a class gift by the graduating class of 1971, with additional contributions from the family of Jerry Campbell, a sociology major who died as a junior in a tragic automobile accident during Homecoming Weekend, 1969. ■