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Tomoye Takahashi and her husband, Henri, supported many of the city's institutions, including UCSF, where they funded the Takahashi Garden, a Japanese healing garden at the UCSF Osher Center for Integrative Medicine (above, right).



Tomoye Takahashi: From Imprisonment to a Life of Giving

Tomoye Takahashi lived a full and remarkable life, triumphing over the hardship of spending four years in a U.S. concentration camp during World War II. She and her husband, Henri, not only started their family there; they returned to San Francisco to build a prosperous business, become thoughtful philanthropists, and spend their lives serving as ambassadors for Japanese culture.

"My parents dedicated their lives to educating the public about the quality and aesthetic aspects of Japanese culture," says their daughter Masako, who, with her brother Norman, was born at the Central Utah War Relocation Center in Topaz during her parents' internment. "By

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UCSF Chancellor Sam Hawgood, MBBS

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UCSF Kicks Off \$5 Billion Fundraising Campaign

On October 27, UCSF Chancellor Sam Hawgood, MBBS, devoted his State of the University presentation to announcing the kickoff of **UCSF: The Campaign**, a \$5 billion fundraising effort designed to build the UCSF endowment, attract the best faculty and students, and sustain foundational support for the University's continued excellence.

During what is known as the campaign's "quiet phase," which began July 1, 2013, UCSF donors have demonstrated their exceptional compassion and generosity in the areas of children's health, neuroscience, cancer treatment and prevention, and more, already contributing \$3 billion toward the University's overall \$5 billion fundraising goal.

The Campaign addresses three grand challenges:

- Decoding life to improve health
- Leveraging discovery to revolutionize care
- Partnering to achieve health equity

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After 32 years at UCSF, where he established the specialty of pediatric surgery, Alfred de Lorimier, MD, took up wine-grape growing with his wife, Sandy.



Alfred de Lorimier, MD '56: A Study in Humility and Generosity

Don't take any shortcuts. Those were the words Alfred de Lorimier, MD '56, lived by, whether he was running a cross-country race, growing wine grapes, sailing his keelboat, or performing an appendectomy on a young patient.

"I didn't realize how accomplished my dad was until after he died," says his daughter, Sally. "He was always moving, always researching and experimenting with everything. He instilled in us a sense of humility – that you don't talk or boast about your accomplishments; you just do it."

While training in surgery at UCSF, de Lorimier realized that "the surgery of children needed substantial improvement." He pursued a rigorous two-year program at The Children's Hospital in Columbus, Ohio, which was pioneering the specialty of pediatric surgery. In 1964, he brought that rich knowledge back to UCSF, where he is credited with single-handedly establishing the specialty of pediatric surgery, not just at the university, but also throughout Northern California. In 1970, he was one of the founders of the American Pediatric Surgical Association.

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surgery is profound."**

Hanmin Lee, MD
Chief, UCSF Division of Pediatric Surgery

Giving a Gift That Will Last

A gift to the UCSF Foundation endowment provides a permanent source of funding for a wide variety of purposes, as described below. You can make such gifts during your lifetime or by means of a bequest, as the Takahashis and the de Lorimiers did. Endowments can bear the name of an honoree, providing a lasting tribute as well as a stable source of funding.

Distinguished professorships are UCSF's highest academic honor, enabling the University to make substantial and permanent commitments to researchers and clinicians. Distinguished professorships are often used to create new positions or to attract world-renowned scientists to UCSF.

Endowed professorships give donors the opportunity to provide partial support for an area of deep personal interest. The fund can help advance research, pay for attendance at key conferences, and provide salary support. Subsequent gifts can elevate the value of an endowed professorship to a distinguished professorship.

Research funds support faculty members and/or graduate students in pursuing promising areas of scientific inquiry.

Endowed fellowships enable UCSF's top-ranked graduate programs to attract the best and brightest students from around the world.

Endowed scholarships ensure that UCSF will continue to attract and educate a diverse and exceptionally talented group of students pursuing degrees in dentistry, medicine, nursing, pharmacy and the graduate division. They provide needed assistance in covering

the rising cost of a professional health education during a time of dwindling state funding.

Endowed lectureships are crucial to the intellectual enrichment of UCSF and the scientific community at large. These endowments bring scholars from around the world to lecture and share their work with faculty and students as well as allow for the free exchange of ideas, research findings and best practices.

General endowments may be created for a particular purpose in any area of education, research or clinical care, or may be directed to the University's most pressing needs.



Recent Estate Gifts

Betty H. Gabriel, BSN '43, and Herbert F. Gabriel, DDS '43, of San Diego, left a portion of their estate to benefit the UCSF Schools of Nursing and Dentistry. A preliminary distribution of \$1,200,000 has been received and will establish the Betty H. Gabriel Endowed Scholarship in Nursing and the Herbert F. Gabriel Endowed Resident Fellowship in Orthodontics in the School of Dentistry.

Lena Hat, a resident of San Joaquin County, named the UCSF Medical Center as a beneficiary of her life insurance policy amounting to \$439,911.

A longtime resident of San Francisco, **Bryan Hemming,** left \$100,000 from his trust to support The Bryan Hemming Endowed Fellowship in Head and Neck Cancer, which Mr. Hemming established during his lifetime.

Jean Krysiak of San Rafael designated a portion of her estate totaling approximately \$154,985 to benefit the Thoracic Oncology Program.

Alameda County resident **Anne Ropke** left approximately \$275,000 to UCSF from her living trust to support children's cancer research.

Barbara J. Mcelrath of Auburn, California, left \$27,000 from her IRA to benefit the UCSF Benioff Children's Hospital Oakland. Barbara and her late husband, **Alden "Mac" Mcelrath** were longtime supporters of the hospital.

John D. Mitchell and Nellie M. Mitchell of Fullerton, California, and Byron, Minnesota, left \$1,000,000 from their charitable trust to establish the Winnifred Montgomery Endowed Chair in Aging at the UCSF School of Nursing. Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell were members of Heritage Circle.

Ruth B. Muir, a resident of Corte Madera, left a specific bequest of \$3,000 to benefit the UCSF Helen Diller Family Comprehensive Cancer Center.

Santa Rosa resident **William Recca** left \$873,265, consisting of funds from an IRA and will, to benefit the UCSF Medical Center for genetic research.



For more information on any of these endowment options, please call the UCSF Office of Gift & Endowment Planning at (415) 476-1475 or visit giftplanning.ucsf.edu.



Tomoye's sister, Masako (far left), was a partner in the Takahashi enterprise and was also honored by the Japanese government with the Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays, in 2010.

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bringing beautiful crafts to the U.S. to sell in places like Gump's, my parents transformed the meaning of the phrase *Made in Japan*."

Henri passed away in 2002, and Tomoye died in 2016, just shy of her 101st birthday, leaving the bulk of their estate to charity. Among her bequests was a \$1 million gift to the UCSF Osher Center for Integrative Medicine to establish the Tomoye Takahashi Fund for Research in Integrative Medicine. The fund will support research on mindfulness, acupuncture, and other alternative medicine approaches to learn more about their effectiveness and mechanisms of action.

"Mrs. Takahashi has been one of our major champions, and we are so grateful for her gifts," says Osher Center Director Shelley Adler, PhD. "She had a deep understanding and appreciation for Japanese contributions to our culture and their effect on well-being." Tomoye also funded the Takahashi Garden, a Japanese healing garden at the center.

Born on Stanyan Street of Japanese parents, Tomoye earned her bachelor's degree in decorative arts from UC Berkeley. She married Henri shortly before the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor precipitated their removal to the camps, along with 120,000 others of Japanese descent. After the war, the Takahashis

returned to San Francisco and opened a dry goods store on Post Street in Japantown. They exported medicines, clothing, and other staples to war-torn Japan and soon began importing traditional items, like folk pottery, lacquerware, and musical instruments.

By the 1960s they were creating contemporary designs with traditional Japanese materials, like the shoji screen, an entirely original design. From the single store, the business grew to several in and around San Francisco and one in New York City. Many of their creations were selected for the definitive Good Design Exhibition at New York City's Museum of Modern Art in 1950.

In 1985 the Takahashis established the Henri and Tomoye Charitable Foundation, helping support the Asian Art Museum, the Japanese American Cultural Center of Northern California, documentary films on Japanese-American history, and other efforts. In 2010 Tomoye was awarded the prestigious Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays, by the government of Japan to acknowledge her lifetime of cultural service.

Tomoye remained steadfast in her loyalties: to UC Berkeley, where she kept up her team spirit by rooting for Cal; to San Francisco, where she lived nearly her entire life; and, despite her incarceration, to the United States. ■

“My dad felt that we always need doctors who are also well-rounded, compassionate human beings.”

Sally de Lorimier



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“Dr. de Lorimier’s legacy in pediatric surgery is profound,” says Hanmin Lee, MD, chief of the UCSF Division of Pediatric Surgery. “Dozens of pediatric and fetal surgeons have come out of the division he started, many of them now influential leaders in the field.” The son of two UCSF alumni, de Lorimier served on the UCSF faculty for 32 years – for 24 of those years as chief of pediatric surgery – and retired in 1996.

His children remember him as being so dedicated to his work that he was often away from home, and working even after hours. “At home he was frequently taking calls, nights, weekends, in the middle of the night; we kids weren’t allowed to use the phone,” says his son Robert. “He even took calls on the boat.” Besides sailing, he had many other laudable pursuits, including competitive long-distance running, the music of Beethoven, and making wine.

While he never completely retired from medicine, he took up wine-grape growing in the early 1970s, teaching himself the craft and working with his wife, Sandy, to launch their own winery, de Lorimier Winery, in 1985.

“My father’s interests were broad, and he saw value in not being too narrowly focused in a specialty,” Robert says. Accordingly, the de Lorimiers established the Alfred A. de Lorimier Endowed Chair in General Surgery to support the research, teaching, and clinical activities of the chair holder in the area of general surgery. Renowned UCSF surgeon Laura Esserman, MD, MBA, now holds that endowed chair.

“There are so many different medical specialties,” Sally says. “The chair exists because my dad felt that we always need doctors who are also well-rounded, compassionate human beings.” ■

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Bioengineer Shuvo Roy, PhD (left), and Kidney Project Manager Susan Kram are developing a small, surgically implanted, bioartificial kidney to treat end stage renal disease.



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“At UCSF, solving the hardest problems in human health and biology is the culmination of everything we do,” Hawgood said in describing the campaign. “We will seize on this transformative moment to solve some of the world’s most intractable health challenges and to make the biggest possible impact on the health and well-being of everyone.” ■

