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◆ The 2003 **Wells Fargo** Summer Concert Series at the **Oregon Zoo** helped generate more than \$1 million for the zoo. Proceeds from the series will benefit a variety of threatened and endangered species. Wells Fargo has committed an additional \$220,000 to sponsor the series for the next two years.

◆ **Outside In** received a grant of \$119,628 from the **Robert Wood Johnson Foundation**. The money will be used to improve health-care access for homeless youth, families with young children and adults with substance abuse problems.

◆ **Kids Health Connection**, Medford, was awarded a grant of \$2,521 from the **Fred Meyer Foundation** for the purchase of supplies for the new health center at Oak Grove Elementary School in Medford.

◆ **Children First for Oregon** received donations from the following organizations: **Oregon Community Foundation**, \$20,000; **Sigel/Wagenknecht Fund**, \$5,413; **Henry J. Casey Fund**, \$9,587; **Portland General Electric**, \$5,000; **Nike**, \$10,000.

◆ **Tualatin Valley Fire and Rescue** donated \$3,500 to the **Children's Endowment Fund** of the Willamette Falls Hospital Foundation. The money was raised through the sale of an antique pool table donated 30 years ago to the Oregon City firehouse.

◆ The new charitable trust of **Banfield, The Pet Hospital** raised \$23,000 at its first fund-raiser. The money will help low-income families obtain health care for their pets and will fund education efforts and scholarship programs.

◆ **Washington Mutual** donated \$15,000 to the **Community Development Network** to cover the costs of the sixth annual CDN awards banquet.

◆ Students, faculty and staff at **St. Mary's Academy** raised \$880 for the **Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation** by paying \$5 to wear denim to school on Lee National Denim Day.

◆ The **Verizon Foundation** awarded grants totaling \$115,000 to 14 Oregon nonprofits. The largest grant, \$15,000 to **Portland Community College**, will fund a literacy program for Hispanics in Washington County.

◆ **Chemeketa Community College** in Salem received \$28,649 from the **Northwest Health Foundation** to be used for the school's nursing program.

◆ The **Union Gospel Mission** raised more than \$120,000 in donations, pledges and matching funds at its fall banquet. The money will help fund a new building for the planned Life-Change Center, which will allow the housing of an additional 40 men and women in recovery.

◆ The 2003 Baugh Skanska **Clackamas Community College** Corporate Challenge Golf Tournament raised more than \$100,000 for student grants and scholarships. Participating organizations included **Baugh Skanska, Columbia Forest Products, Key Bank, Wells Fargo** and **Health Net**.

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If you know of a grant or donation to a nonprofit group or project to consider noting, e-mail the item to helpers@news.oregonian.com, fax it to 503-227-5306 or send it to Community Helpers, The Oregonian, 1320 S.W. Broadway, Portland, OR 97201.