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**Oregon Garden Benefits From Private Donation**

A recent \$50,000 donation to the Oregon Garden Foundation by Conrad and Muriel Stieber of Salem has helped establish a long-term endowment for the Oregon Garden, helping to secure its future for many years to come.

“We are so grateful for the support and leadership of the Stiebers,” said Marion County Commissioner and Oregon Garden Foundation Chairwoman Patti Milne. “Their confidence in the Oregon Garden is inspiring to the whole community and I can’t thank them enough.”

The \$50,000 donation comes just as the new boutique hotel at the Oregon Garden is scheduled to open in mid-September. The new hotel, built and managed by Moonstone Properties, will have 100 guest rooms along with fine dining and banquet and conference facilities.

Conrad and Muriel Stieber are fixtures amongst local non-profits, as both long-time board members and volunteers. They are hoping others will join in the continued success of the Oregon Garden by contributing to the newly established account at the Oregon Community Foundation, which manages endowments for non-profits through careful investments.

“Being able to partner with the Oregon Community Foundation is a great opportunity,” Milne explained. “This means we now have a professionally managed investment program, and with their assistance we are better able to raise matching funds and encourage similar gifts. We are excited to work with this highly respected organization,” she said.

Milne added, “Without leaders like Conrad and Muriel, non-profits in our community would struggle. Their dedication of vision, time and money makes a tremendous difference for the mission of an organization like ours. The Oregon Garden Foundation is lucky to have supporters like the Stiebers, and working with the Oregon Community Foundation is the perfect way to encourage others to follow their example.”

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