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'Dynamic Leaders'

Five new trustees, including four alumni, have been elected to the board of The UC Santa Barbara Foundation, a leadership body that promotes the university by increasing philanthropy, and managing and growing the endowment. As UCSB's principal fundraising organization, the nonprofit foundation generates and administers private gifts to the campus, including support for students, research and instruction. It also ensures the appropriate use of all private funds.

Helping to forge links between the professional and business communities and the campus to increase private support for university programs, the foundation plays a critical role in promoting and achieving fundraising goals and priorities. The board consists of philanthropic leaders sharing a commitment to advance UCSB's mission and sustain its reputation for excellence.

"We are honored and thrilled to welcome these five visionary and dynamic leaders to our UC Santa Barbara Foundation Board," said Chancellor Henry T. Yang. "Our academic community is continually inspired and uplifted by the tremendous vision, devotion, guidance and philanthropic support of our outstanding trustees."

Added board chair Marcy Carsey: "Our new UC Santa Barbara Foundation trustees will add another extraordinary layer to our already stellar board. Collectively and as individuals, our members are devoted to advancing the mission of this great university through private giving, advocacy and engagement. This new group raises the bar yet again. We welcome their vision and leadership." The new trustees for the 2014-2015 year are:

• **Robert Ballard** '65 — Professor of oceanography, University of Rhode Island; Earth Science Distinguished Alumni Award, UCSB, 1998; Distinguished Alumni Award, UCSB Alumni Association, 1985 (Narragansett, RI)

• Elizabeth Gabler '77 — President, Fox 2000 Pictures, a division of Twentieth Century Fox Filmed Entertainment; member, UC Santa Barbara's Carsey-Wolf Center Advisory Board; UCSB commencement speaker, 2006 (Santa Barbara)

• **Ambassador Marc Grossman** '73 — Vice chairman, The Cohen Group; Distinguished Alumni Award, UCSB Alumni Association, 2001 (Arlington, VA)

• **George Holbrook, Jr.** — Managing partner, Bradley Resources Company; member, UC Santa Barbara's Institute for Energy Efficiency Director's Council; honoree, UCSB Engineering Exemplary Service Award, 2012 (Santa Barbara)

• Michael Koch '89 — Surgeon and partner, New York Group for Plastic Surgery; member, New York Campaign Committee (New York)

"The university is so fortunate to welcome these outstanding leaders to our foundation board," said Beverly J. Colgate, executive director of the UC Santa Barbara Foundation. "Our trustees bring unique external perspectives to our campus, and we so value their contribution of time, vision and leadership. Our new group of trustees are notably accomplished nationally as well as internationally and we are thankful for their commitment and investment in the university."

About the UC Santa Barbara Foundation

The Foundation is governed by a Board of Trustees, which includes up to 100 elected distinguished Trustees and 14 additional university representatives, and complies with the University of California Policy on Campus Foundations set by the Regents of the University of California. From the Foundation's inception in 1973, members of its Board of Trustees have formed a valuable link between UC Santa Barbara and the local, regional, and national communities. As they encourage private gifts and identify and cultivate potential donors, the Trustees build interest and support for the campus and communicate to the public an informed understanding of UC Santa Barbara's mission.

About UC Santa Barbara

The University of California, Santa Barbara is a leading research institution that also provides a comprehensive liberal arts learning experience. Our academic community of faculty, students, and staff is characterized by a culture of interdisciplinary collaboration that is responsive to the needs of our multicultural and global society. All of this takes place within a living and learning environment like no other, as we draw inspiration from the beauty and resources of our extraordinary location at the edge of the Pacific Ocean.