# **OREGON TECH ALUMNI ASSOCIATION (Table 7.3)**

## Mission

The Oregon Tech Alumni Association seeks to provide alumni a worldwide network that strengthens friendships and promotes OIT as a premier learning institution.

## Membership

Membership is free and open to all graduates and former students of Oregon Institute of Technology and its preceding institutions, OTI and OVS. Approximately 50% of OIT's 16,500 alumni reside in Oregon, followed by population centers in Washington, California, Idaho, Alaska, Nevada, and Arizona. Alumni can be found in almost every state as well as in Asia, Europe, North and South America, Australia, the Middle East and Africa.

#### Leadership

Founded in 1949 and chartered in 1989 under the Oregon Tech Foundation, the Alumni Association is led by an appointed advisory board in partnership with the Office of Alumni Relations.

# **Programs and Services**

The Alumni Association and the Office of Alumni Relations offer many valuable programs and services to involve alumni in the life of the College and with each other. Social and educational events such as reunions, career networking receptions, continuing education courses and legislative advocacy are provided to fulfill our mission statement. The Alumni Association's most prestigious award, the Distinguished Alumni Award, is presented annually during commencement ceremonies to honor a graduate(s) who has made significant contributions to their profession, community and the College. The recipient for 2002 is Joseph S. McBride, who received a bachelor of technology degree in environmental technology in 1976.

## **Student Relations**

The Alumni Association partners with several other departments to broaden its scope of influence and to offer valuable programs and services to alumni and students. Programs such as Tech Connect (mentor program) with the Office of Career Services and TOP (Tech Opportunities Program), the Student Alumni Association (SAA) and Tech Ambassadors with the Office of Admissions, and Homecoming sponsorship with ASOIT, enable the Association to enhance the college experience for current students, our future alumni.

# Oregon Tech Alumni Advisory Board 2002

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