

enduring

Peter Vlahos B.A. '57 and
Janice Vlahos B.A. '63, M.P.A. '84

Their impact on Lewis & Clark and Portland spans more than five decades. It echoes in his leadership within cultural and performing arts organizations, her many contributions to public health, and their tireless work for church and community. It resounds in their Greek folk-dancing classes and has left an indelible mark on generations of students, parents, faculty, staff, alumni, and friends.

Lewis & Clark's mark on Pete and Jan Vlahos is equally enduring. The college is, after all, the place where they met and the campus that repeatedly connects them with strangers who become fast friends. It is also where Pete honed his business acumen and his passion for the arts, and where overseas study opportunities gave them, in Jan's words, "the curiosity and confidence to pursue new challenges and adventures."

"Lewis & Clark has been a huge part of our lives," they say. "It's truly invigorating to participate in campus activities—to meet old friends and make new ones in the Lewis & Clark family. By supporting the college, we help ensure that the transforming experience of a liberal arts education continues in this fascinating and rapidly changing world."



All in the family

In addition to their Lewis & Clark bachelor's degrees, Pete later earned a fifth-year teaching certificate in elementary education here, and Jan a master's in public administration from the graduate school. They are parents of Tom '88 and Marnie '92.

Perpetuating tradition

"When we were students, many professors invited us to their homes, walked with us on campus, took time to advise and encourage us. They were our inspiration for inviting students to our own home and to after-concert parties for the many artists and lecturers who came for the Cultural Arts Series and other campus events."