John “Jack” Rowe, MD believes in leveraging excellence. As a member of the Harvard Medical School Board of Fellows and a former faculty member at HMS, Rowe says he has seen up close that many medical students graduate from HMS with large debt burdens. At the same time, HMS is leading the nation in developing a medical school curriculum that is training the next generation of leaders in medicine and biomedical research. To close the gap between excellence and debt, Rowe and his wife, Valerie, have made a gift of $1.5 million to establish the John and Valerie Rowe Scholars Funds at Harvard Medical School.

The gift establishes funds that will provide financial aid to medical students, PhD students, as well as funding for medical student research. Rowe wanted to support students through an endowed fund—promising financial aid to MD and PhD students in perpetuity—as well as provide current use funds to “provide the flexibility to use funds where they were needed immediately,” he says, including the Scholars in Medicine program, an initiative that requires every HMS student to embark upon a dedicated research project, culminating in a written report.

Rowe says he is particularly excited to see what this innovative program will produce, given the large biomedical and clinical enterprise available through HMS, which gives students nearly unlimited choice of areas to research. “It’s always hard to get something new off the ground,” says Rowe. “But there is such excellence at HMS that it is worth supporting this.”

“The Pershing Square Foundation supports the work of health initiatives in some of the world’s poorest communities, such as this clinic in Haiti.”

With a commitment to making a difference in the health of people around the globe, William and Karen Ackman of The Pershing Square Foundation have made a $1 million gift to the Global Health Delivery Project (GHD). GHD is a collaboration between Harvard Medical School, Harvard Business School, and Brigham and Women’s Hospital to improve health care delivery in resource-poor regions around the world. The Department of Global Health and Social Medicine at Harvard Medical School and the Institute for Strategy and Competitiveness at Harvard Business School are founding partners. The Global Health Delivery Project’s senior advisors are Paul Farmer, MD, PhD ’90, Kolokotrones University Professor of Global Health and Social Medicine, and Professor Michael Porter, Bishop William Lawrence University Professor at Harvard Business School.

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Support strengthens and expands global health network

The Pershing Square Foundation’s gift will advance GHD’s work in systemizing the study and practice of value-based health care delivery. The GHD Project staff has written 30 case studies and research papers on how health care delivery programs manage and operate in low-resource settings. GHD’s case-based curriculum, which has already been taught at Harvard and MIT, are available at no cost at http://www.ghdonline.org.

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Dear Friends,

I continue to be impressed by, and thankful for, the commitment our friends and supporters have to Harvard Medical School. The generosity of so many will enable our researchers to expand significantly the work we are doing around the globe to train physicians in how to deliver quality healthcare to poor and vulnerable populations, advance research to end disease, and train the next generation of leaders in medicine.

Board of Fellows member John “Jack” Rowe, and his wife, Valerie, gave a rousing endorsement of the School’s newest curriculum requirement, the Scholars in Medicine program, which requires all students entering in August 2011 and beyond to conduct a research project during their medical training. The Rowe’s gift also established funds that provide valuable financial aid support to medical students as well as PhD graduate students.

The Pershing Square Foundation, under the leadership of William and Karen Ackman, has made a commitment to continuing and expanding the School’s work to develop leaders in the delivery of health care in resource-poor regions, both from HMS and around the world. Their partnership with the School in this vital area of research will make a profound impact.

I am moved by the Howalt family’s drive to find the very best research to end type-1 diabetes, which affects their young son. Their search led them to Harvard Medical School and Diane Mathis, PhD, and their gift to support Mathis’s research will bring about that goal even faster.

Former award-winning newsman and author Richard Cohen’s diagnosis of multiple sclerosis has driven him to want to advance research to find a cure. His gift will help develop a medical test to identify individuals at high risk of this terrible disease.

Finally, I am struck by our alumni and their generosity. Several graduates, and one alumni widow, have made major gifts to the place they credit as having had an enormous impact on their lives and careers. They are joined by numerous alumni who participated in their reunion class gifts this year, including an unprecedented 97 percent participation rate from the Class of 1956. Thank you all.

Harvard Medical School is truly a remarkable institution. It is the nexus of the world’s largest concentration of biomedical researchers in the world focused on understanding and ultimately curing the diseases that vex us most. Your support of this vital work makes this possible. Thank you for all you do for Harvard Medical School.

Regards,

Susan Rapple
Dean for Resource Development
Google search brings family to leading researcher and hope for a cure

When Frederick “Chip” Howalt and his wife, Cindy, gave birth to their twin boys five years ago, they never dreamed that one of them would be afflicted with a life-altering disease. But just shy of his fourth birthday, Joseph was diagnosed with type-1 diabetes. Knowing nothing about diabetes, the Howalts did what modern parents do: they went to Google, where they soon found Diane Mathis, PhD, Professor of Microbiology and Immunology at HMS and a leading researcher on type-1 diabetes.

Mathis invited the family to visit her lab and they all have stayed in close contact ever since. The Howalts recently made a $100,000 gift to support Mathis’s research to find a cure.

“We want Joe to understand that his parents did everything they could to help ensure that other families and children won’t have to go through this.”—Chip Howalt

Gift thanks HMS for all it made possible in life

“Our lives were so rewarding because of John’s time at Harvard Medical School,” says Mary Clark, who recently made a $200,000 gift to the School to establish the John W. Clark, MD ’43 Memorial Research Fund in memory of her late husband. “He believed he had been rewarded with so many rich opportunities because of Harvard.”

John Clark, MD ’43 was an Associate Scientist in Biological and Medical Science at Argonne National Laboratory, served on the editorial board of Radiology for 20 years, and collaborated with biomaterials engineers for the first patent for a medical diagnostic system using ultrasonic waves.

The John W. Clark, MD ’43 Memorial Research Fund will support basic research at HMS related to the mechanisms of non-Alzheimer’s dementia. Clark was motivated by members of both his and his late wife’s families who were affected by dementia. She hopes her gift will find answers.

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Legacy gift supports current students

The late John A. Evert Jr., MD ’42 once said that attending Harvard Medical School was one of the most important experiences of his life and that he loved the intellectual openness and stimulation of the School. With such a fondness for his alma mater, it was not surprising that Evert named HMS as a beneficiary in his estate.

Now that Evert’s bequest gift has been distributed, $105,000 will be available for student scholarships, a fitting tribute to a man who valued his experience at HMS so much.

A longtime supporter of HMS and member of the Evert Hersey Council, Evert credited his medical degree for successes throughout his varied career. He served as a surgeon in a M.A.S.H. unit in Korea, a medical doctor for the Foundation for Glacier and Environmental Research in Alaska, and the chief surgeon at Bassau General Hospital in his home state of Montana. His legacy gift will support the aspirations—whatever they may be—of the next generation of leaders in medicine.

“Attending Harvard Medical School was one of the most important experiences of John Evert’s life.”

Former newsmann makes a gift toward a future without MS

As a Senior Producer for ABC News and CBS Evening News, Richard M. Cohen knew how to handle tough issues. But when diagnosed at age 25 with multiple sclerosis, he was confronted with the hardest challenge of all. His book Blindsided: Lifting a Life Above Illness describes his experiences and drew the attention of Martha Crowninshield, co-Chair of the Harvard NeuroDiscovery Center (HNDC) Advisory Council, who encouraged him to join the council and get involved. Recently, Cohen and his wife, Meredith Vieira, made a gift to support research that aims to develop a medical test to identify individuals at high risk of MS.

Cohen is the third generation in his family to be affected by MS; he and Meredith have three children. “The whole question of risk never leaves our minds,” he says.

“This is my effort to help establish research that will one day end this disease. This is my effort to help establish research that will one day end this disease.”—Mary Clark

“It’s my kids’ future, and their kids, that I think about.”—Richard Cohen

Women’s mental health professorship honors MGH clinician

On June 28, 2011, Lee S. Cohen, MD was named the Edmund N. and Carroll M. Carpenter Associate Professor of Psychiatry in the Field of Women’s Mental Health at Harvard Medical School. Cohen is the Director of the Perinatal and Reproductive Psychiatry Clinical Research Program at Massachusetts General Hospital, where his focus is on psychiatric disorders associated with female reproductive function. Caroll Carpenter and her late husband, Edmund, helped establish the professorship to advance the field of psychiatry in the Harvard medical community.

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Left to right: Nancy Tarbell, MD, Dean for Academic and Clinical Affairs; Lee S. Cohen, MD; Carroll Carpenter; Peter Slavin, MD, ’84; President, Massachusetts General Hospital; Jerrold Rosenbaum, MD, Psychiatrist-in-Chief at Massachusetts General Hospital.
Supporting “intellectual curiosity”

W. Reid Pitts Jr., MD ’67 has established the William R. Pitts, MD ’33 and W. Reid Pitts Jr., MD ’67 Research Scholars Fund. His $250,000 gift will be used to provide stipends to support medical student research through the Scholars in Medicine Program.

Pitts, who describes himself as inquisitive, was inspired throughout his student days and his career by Dwight Eisenhower’s warning that government could become “a substitute for intellectual curiosity.”

“It’s hard to think outside the box when you’re funded by the box,” says Pitts, who facilitated his own clinical research by starting a private practice that allowed him to finance the majority of his projects independently, including publishing two of the most prominent papers to revolutionize the care of prostate cancer. Pitts wanted to help bring this same freedom of independence to medical students. “Being dependent on outside funding can block creative thinking,” says Pitts.

“Time in the lab is essential for MD candidates. I want to give them the opportunity to test their ideas. It is the journey, not the destination.”
—W. Reid Pitts Jr., MD ’67

Preserving medical history

William A. Haseltine, PhD, has had an active career in both science and business. He was an HMS professor for nearly two decades and is well known for his work on cancer, HIV/AIDS, and genomics. Haseltine has authored numerous articles and books, founded nine biotechnology companies, and currently serves as the President of the Haseltine Foundation and ACCESS Health International.

In an effort to preserve, organize, and create an online guide to the records created throughout his extensive career, Haseltine has made a $200,000 gift to facilitate the creation of the William A. Haseltine Papers at the Center for the History of Medicine at the Countway Library.

“I owe Harvard a deep debt of gratitude for my graduate training, and for providing an outstanding environment to pursue my scientific research—one that values excellence, promotes accomplishments, and fosters creativity. Harvard attracts the best and brightest undergraduates, graduate students, and post doctoral fellows without whom my work would not have been possible,” he says. “This, in combination with the outstanding reputation of the Library, made this an easy choice.”

Haseltine hopes that his materials will serve as an historical record of the revolution in bioscience, the first decade of HIV/AIDS research, and the founding days of genomic study.

Clinical Professorships

Children’s Hospital Boston Professorship in Pediatric Immunology, Children’s Hospital

The Children’s Hospital Boston Professorship in Pediatric Immunology has been established by Children’s Hospital Boston to honor Raif Salim Geha, MD, who is now the James L. Gamble Professor of Pediatrics. The Professorship will be renamed the Raif Salim Geha Professorship in Pediatric Immunology at Harvard Medical School upon Geha’s retirement. For 35 years, Geha has been a leading physician on staff at Children’s Hospital Boston, as well as a member of the Harvard Medical School faculty. The inaugural incumbent of this prestigious professorship is Hans Oettgen, MD, PhD.

James and Thea Stoneman Professorship in the Field of Vascular Biology, Children’s Hospital

James and Thea Stoneman, through the James M. Stoneman Charitable Fund, have established the James and Thea Stoneman Professorship in the Field of Vascular Biology at Harvard Medical School. The goal of the professorship is to better serve young patients with pathological conditions that are characterized by abnormal blood vessel growth. These conditions include virtually all cancers, degenerative eye diseases including diabetic retinopathy and macular degeneration, chronic inflammatory diseases such as rheumatoid arthritis and psoriasis, and obesity.

Long-time friends advance genetics research

McCarroll’s research is exploring variability from person to person within the human genome and looking into how these variations may underlie individual disease risk, particularly for bi-polar disorder and schizophrenia.

For more than 20 years, the Smith Family Foundation has been instrumental in advancing biomedical research through its generous philanthropy: “We believe that individuals have a tremendous capacity for effecting change,” says Richard Smith. “For us to support the world-class research being done at Harvard Medical School, and to know that it will have such an impact on people’s lives, gives us a great feeling of accomplishment and joy.”

The Smith Family Foundation Program for Excellence in Biomedical Research, a division of the Richard and Susan Smith Family Foundation, has granted a $300,000 award to Steven McCarroll, PhD, Assistant Professor of Genetics at Harvard Medical School. Since the Foundation launched this program in 1992, it has awarded more than $2.2 million to HMS researchers; these grants have helped launch the careers of several premier scientists in their fields.
Doris Duke Charitable Foundation gift supports clinical research fellowships

The Doris Duke Charitable Foundation has made a $600,000 gift to Harvard Medical School to create two new fellowship programs for medical students. Since 2000, the Foundation has granted more than $2 million to the School, benefiting nearly 80 students.

The first program offers students interested in exploring patient-oriented research as a possible career opportunity to spend a full year engaged in hands-on clinical and translational research under the mentorship of a Harvard clinical investigator. The second is an International Clinical Research Fellowship for students who wish to work on HIV/AIDS, TB, and other health issues in sub-Saharan Africa.

Ravi Thadhani, MD, MPH, Associate Professor of Medicine, oversees the fellowships. These opportunities “enable students to develop original insights, rather than simply implement received wisdom,” he says. “Through this process, students are able to think critically about fashioning research careers and about how to determine which scientific questions to pursue.”

Searle Scholars Program grant advances research on the brain’s wiring

How is the brain wired to extract information from the environment and convert it into action? S. Robert Datta, MD, PhD ’04 of the Department of Neurobiology is pursuing answers to this question with a commitment of $300,000 from the Searle Scholars Program.

Datta’s hypothesis is that we can gain leverage on this problem—and the related problem of how diseases disrupt brain function—by studying neural circuits that enable animals to detect and innately respond to scents from food, predators, and mates.

His work will reveal how information is encoded in the brain, how that information is coupled to behavioral centers, and how the circuits which convey that information can adapt to a changing world.

The Searle Scholars Program’s mission is to fund “independent research of outstanding young scientists.” Generally, 15 scholars from invited institutions around the country are selected each year.

Grant from Hood Foundation targets children’s health insurance coverage

The Charles H. Hood Foundation recently awarded a $492,183 research grant to Michael E. Chernew, PhD, Professor of Health Care Policy at Harvard Medical School, to study the impact of a specific kind of health care payment system on children.

Chernew’s focus is the Alternative Quality Contract (AQC), which combines global payment and pay-for-performance. Evaluating data on 12,000 children, the research will provide important insights for payers and policy makers as payment reform takes center stage nationally. The knowledge gained will help policy makers and insurers design payment systems that control spending and preserve the quality of care for children.

The Commonwealth Fund continues commitment to improving minority access to health care

The Commonwealth Fund has renewed its support of the Commonwealth Fund/Harvard University Fellowship in Minority Health Policy with an $800,000 grant. This fellowship is designed to train physician leaders who can promote policies and practices that improve minority Americans’ access to health care.

Based at Harvard Medical School under the direction of Joan Reede, MD, MPH, Dean for Diversity and Community Partnership, the year-long fellowship offers intensive study in health policy, public health, and management. Fellows also participate in leadership forums and seminars with nationally recognized leaders in minority health and public policy.

“How addressing disparities in health care requires culturally competent physician leaders participating in policy decisions to ensure that the health needs of minority, disadvantaged and vulnerable populations are met. Since 1996, the Commonwealth Fund/Harvard University Fellowship in Minority Health Policy has played an important role in developing such leaders,” says Reede.

Women’s Health: Comparing Safety and Effectiveness of Three Hormonal Contraceptives in a Randomized Clinical Trial

Susan Redline, MD, MPH selected for Peter C. Farrell Professorship of Sleep Medicine

Susan S. Redline, MD, MPH was installed as the inaugural incumbent of the Peter C. Farrell Professorship of Sleep Medicine on March 24, 2011. Peter Farrell, MD established the professorship to study the connection between undiagnosed sleep disordered breathing and its association with and impact upon cardiovascular disease. “I’m delighted that Dr. Susan Redline is the first person to hold the Farrell Chair. She has a wonderful track record in advancing the field of sleep medicine, particularly as it relates to cardiovascular disease,” Farrell said.
Alumni get creative with Reunion giving

In addition to renewing their ties to HMS, another important component of Reunion is the class gift. Many alumni stretch their normal giving, or give for the first time, in order to enable their class to present a gift that will make a substantial impact on HMS and its students.

With 84 percent of students receiving scholarship and financial aid, Reunion classes set aggressive goals for dollars raised and participation rate—and alumni responded in a big way. 2011 marked the first year that every Reunion class formed a designated fundraising sub-committee. These dedicated individuals got creative in their tactics. Two anonymous alumni sponsored the “Sprint to the Finish Challenge” with $200,000 in matching funds, encouraging many alumni to make a gift or increase their support because of the dollar-for-dollar match. The Class of 1986 created its own “orthoped” challenge to encourage classmates to name chairs in the Joseph B. Martin Conference Center Auditorium, raising $110,000 for student scholarships.

In total, the Reunion classes contributed more than $6.1 million to a variety of HMS programs, of which more than $1.2 million went to the Alumni Fund to support immediate-need student scholarships. The Classes of 1956, 1966, 1971, and 1986 each presented gifts of more than $1 million to the School. Another trend among this group was high participation rates, most notably the 97 percent participation achieved by the Class of 1956.

Every alumnus/a who contributed to the Reunion giving efforts deserves credit for this exemplary year. Dean Jeffrey S. Flier, MD, thanked the alumni during his State of the School address, saying, “Not only do you help the School by the financial support you provide, you are the greatest ambassadors from Harvard Medical School to the rest of the world. People identify you as graduates of this great School, and your success is the proof of our success.” For a complete recap of the 2011 Reunion, including photo galleries and videos from the symposia, visit http://alumni.hms.harvard.edu/2011reunion.

Howard Hughes Medical Institute supports Medical Scholars

Thanks to $580,000 in fellowship grants from the Howard Hughes Medical Institute (HHMI), 15 students will be supported as they engage in basic research at Harvard Medical School; 10 of these new HHMI Medical Fellows are students at HMS. Since HHMI launched the training program for medical students in 1989, a sizeable number of fellows, chosen from applicants from around the country, have come from Harvard Medical School.

“The HHMI awards are a significant and rich funding source for our Medical Scholars program,” says Gordon Strewler, MD ‘71, Master of the Cannon Society. “We are very grateful to the HHMI for these grants.”

The Scholars in Medicine Program, part of an innovative new curriculum at HMS, requires students to engage in an in-depth scholarly research project, mentored by a faculty member in that area. The HHMI Fellows Program supports those students whose research is in some area of basic science.

Alumnus inspired to make a stretch 25th Reunion gift

Mark McMahon, MD ‘86 celebrated his 25th Reunion from Harvard Medical School this year. As part of the Reunion Gift Committee, he says he didn’t feel comfortable asking his former classmates to make gifts in honor of their Reunion unless he also made one. But his $100,000 gift to the Alumni Fund surprised even himself, he says.

“I knew I wanted to make a large contribution,” he says. But he was inspired to dig even deeper after attending an event on campus and thinking about his own time here as a student. McMahon says he was motivated by knowing that 100 percent of gifts to the Alumni Fund are dedicated to student scholarships and financial aid, and knowing what a positive impact that can make for today’s students.

“It’s the right thing to do for the Alumni Fund,” he says. “And it has an immediate beneficial effect on the students.”

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Evangelos S. Gragoudas, MD was appointed the inaugural incumbent of the Charles Edward Whitten Professorship in Ophthalmology on February 28, 2011. Gragoudas is a world authority on the diagnosis and management of intraocular tumors and pioneered the use of proton beam therapy in eye tumors. The professorship was established in honor of Joan Miller, MD ’84, Head of the Department of Ophthalmology at the Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary and named for Miller’s father. Upon Miller’s retirement, the professorship will be renamed in her honor.

Evangelos S. Gragoudas, MD and Wyc Grusbeck connect at the celebration. Simmons Lesell, MD recognizes the scientific achievements of Evangelos Gragoudas, MD and Joan Miller, MD ’84 at the event. Dean of the Faculty of Medicine Jeffrey S. Flier, MD congratulates Evangelos S. Gragoudas, MD.
Annual Giving Program provides core funding

The Annual Giving Program continues to provide essential money to support the ongoing success of Harvard Medical School—student scholarships and fellowships, faculty salary support, research initiatives, and more. In total, alumni and friends of the School made gifts of over $4.4 million to HMS, supporting various programs and initiatives at the School.

Key components of the annual program include the Alumni Fund, the Friends of Harvard Medicine, and the Board of Fellows Annual Fund.

This year, alumni gave over $2.1 million—designated 100 percent to student scholarship by Dean Jeffrey S. Flier, MD—through gifts from HMS alumni, including the Reunion classes, and a compelling “Recent Graduate Challenge” to the classes of 2002–2010, sponsored by Alumni Council President-elect Phyllis Gardner, MD ’76 and her husband, Andrew Perlman, MD, PhD.

In addition, members of the Board of Fellows gave over $730,000 through the Annual Fund, which Dean Flier has committed to supporting work in translational science and therapeutics and systems pharmacology.

For the Lees, the choice to make a CGA was an easy one: it provides them an excellent opportunity to give back to HMS while securing a guaranteed income stream during their retirement years. “This is a good vehicle for those approaching my age to be generous to the School and to get something in return,” says Glenn.

Glenn reflects on the tremendous value that HMS has had in his life. “I wanted to thank HMS for providing me with a wonderful education,” he says. “I owe a debt of gratitude to the Medical School for my professional education and the joys of my medical career,” Glenn wrote in his 50th Reunion Report.

50th Reunion marks a good time to give

Glenn Lee, MD ’61 and his wife, Wendy, celebrated Glenn’s golden Reunion from Harvard Medical School by contributing $101,227 for a joint two-life charitable gift annuity (CGA) that ultimately will be directed toward providing scholarships for HMS students.

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Frederick says that he feels obligated to give back to Harvard Medical School, which gave him so much. “We have all been so empowered by the School and our teachers,” he says. He is especially grateful for the connections he made with his fellow students and the lasting associations and friendships that have resulted.

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The Fredericks’ gift will ultimately support scholarships for HMS students.

Wolfson Foundation gift supports financial aid for students

The late Louis E. Wolfson, a Wall Street financier well known during his lifetime for his banking acumen, was also a major thoroughbred racing competitor. His horse Affirmed, of which he was the owner and breeder, won the American Triple Crown in 1978.

What his family was also known for, as evidenced by the family name gracing so many institutions and organizations in Jacksonville, Florida, was its philanthropic generosity. While the majority of the philanthropy from the Wolfson Foundation is geared toward medical, educational research, and religious charitable entities, it is perhaps less well known that the generosity of the Wolfson Foundation also extends to Harvard Medical School. A recent distribution from the estate for $275,000 will support financial aid at the School through the Louis Wolfson Medical Student Loan Fund.

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Maternal health advocate Christy Turlington Burns (pictured left) came to HMS to show her documentary *No Woman, No Cry*, which shares the stories of four at-risk pregnant women. She also was a guest at “Conversations with Harvard Medical School: Exploring Global Health.” Co-hosted by Board of Fellows members Senator William Frist, MD ‘78 (pictured right) and William Helman, along with Mala Gaonkar, the event featured a discussion between Paul Farmer, MD, PhD ’90, Chair of the Department of Global Health and Social Medicine, and Joia Mukerjee, MD, moderated by Byron Pitts of *CBS Evening News*.