

JAMES E. ROGERS (Class of 1956)

Jim Rogers owns Sunbelt Communications, a broadcasting company which owns 16 television stations in five western states, including channel 3 (KVBC-TV) in Las Vegas and channel 4 (KTVH-TV) in Reno.

He is currently serving, since May, 2005 as Chancellor of the Nevada System of Higher Education.

Jim owns a classic car collection of over 290 cars, housed in the Sunbelt Classic Automobile Museum, representing cars from the years 1926 to 1975. The collection has been used in parades, advertisements and local affairs.

Listed in the July 2000 issue of Time Magazine as one of the top 12 philanthropists in the country. He and his wife Beverly have pledged over \$275 million to higher education. Their gift of \$137,000,000 to the University of Arizona College of Law is the largest gift to the University of Arizona and the largest gift to any American law school. In November 1998, the Arizona Board of Regents renamed the University of Arizona college of Law The James E. Rogers College of Law.

Jim has degrees in accounting (B.S.) and law (LL.B.) from the University of Arizona and a Master of Laws (LL.M.) from the University of Southern California. He was a teaching fellow in the law school of the University of Illinois in 1963 and 1964. Mr. Rogers holds honorary doctorates from the University of Arizona, Gonzaga University, the University of Nevada, Las Vegas, the University of Idaho, Idaho State University, Albertson College of Idaho, Carroll College of Montana, Kentucky Wesleyan College and a Master of Laws in International Law from the University of Arizona. He is a member of the State Bar Associations of Nevada, Arizona and California.

Mr. Rogers was in active law practice in Las Vegas from 1964 through 1988, at which time he ceased practicing law to devote 100% of his time to the development of the television and radio stations of Sunbelt and various banks.

Mr. Rogers became a member of the Board of Directors of Nevada National Bank in 1981 and was Chairman of the Board for the years 1985-1987. He was a 1995 founder and served on the Board of Directors of Community Bank of Nevada until he left that bank to form Nevada First Bank in 1998. Nevada First Bank merged with the Bank of Nevada where Mr. Rogers currently serves on the board of directors. Mr. Rogers also serves on the board of directors of Meadows Bank.

Mr. Rogers has served on the Board of Trustees of the New York University School of Law, the Board of Councilors of the Washington University School of Law in St. Louis, the Board of Councilors of the University of New Mexico School of Law, the Deans' Finance Committee of the University of Idaho School of Law, the Executive Committee of the Board of Councilors of the University of Southern California School of Law, the Dean's Council of the University of Nevada, Las Vegas School of Law, and the Dean's Finance Committee of the University of Arizona School of Law. He was appointed to the Board of the Carey Business School at John Hopkins University. He is also a member of the Board of Trustees of the National Law Center in Tucson, Arizona and is the President of the Idaho State University Foundation. He serves on the Board of Trustees for the Claremont School of Theology. He serves as a Board Member of the Motion Picture and Television Fund and is one of the first nine elected to the University of Nevada, Las Vegas School of Business Hall of Fame. Mr. Rogers also served as the campaign chairman of the Idaho State University Capital Campaign, which, with a goal of \$102 million, raised \$160 million and he served as co-chair of the University of Arizona Capital Campaign, which, with a goal of \$1 billion dollars, raised \$1.2 billion.

Jim has been married to his wife Beverly for 12 years. He has three children.

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