the college's dean, becoming its initial Hall of Fame inductee. He served NAU in several top positions including executive vice president where he devoted his talents to modernization of financial systems, campus renewal and beautification, and represented former President Eugene Hughes and NAU to local, state and federal governments. For over two decades he was actively involved in outreach and service to the Flagstaff community. His many contributions to NAU and Flagstaff are reflected in honors, which include the NAU Alumni Distinguished Faculty award, Homecoming dedicatee and Flagstaff citizen of the year. Besnette continued his higher education advocacy when he became Arizona Board of Regents executive director in the 1990s where he was