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Gift is Made in Honor of Actress Debbie Reynolds

ORANGE, Calif., Nov. 10, 2006 – Orange County philanthropists John and Donna Crean have donated $1 million to Chapman’s new Marion Knott Studios, home of the Dodge College of Film and Media Arts, to establish the John and Donna Crean Film and Media Archive and Special Collection.

The gift was given in honor of the Creans’ good friend, actress Debbie Reynolds, who was presented with Chapman’s Lifetime Achievement in the Arts Award at the university’s recent American Celebration gala on Nov. 4.

The archive will house 16mm and 35mm film prints, movies and television shows on tape and DVD, and movie and TV scripts, and will be open to scholars and members of the Dodge College community.