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EUGENE, Ore.— **Mark Packer, MD**, an ophthalmologist at Drs. Fine, Hoffman and Packer, LLC, has been elected President of The Harvard Club of Eugene for a two-year term beginning April, 2003.

An alumni service organization in Lane and surrounding counties, The Harvard Club represents more than 300 local graduates of Harvard University's college and graduate schools. For the past three years Dr. Packer has chaired the organization's Schools & Scholarship Committee, which interviews area applicants to the prestigious university in Cambridge, Massachusetts. This year (Class of 2007), the committee interviewed 35 applicants from local high schools, 2 of whom were among the 1,650 students admitted from a total of 20,986 applicants.

The organization also coordinates the presentation of the Harvard Book Prize to outstanding juniors at participating area high schools and plans community educational events featuring speakers from Harvard.

A Clinical Assistant Professor of Ophthalmology at the Casey Eye Institute of Oregon Health & Science University, Dr. Packer graduated cum laude from Harvard College in 1980, with concentration in Biology.

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