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PFT Celebrates 90th Birthday

Board members of the Pendleton Foundation Trust agreed that a celebration was in order to recognize a special occasion, so they had a birthday block party on Main Street in Pendleton to mark the ninetieth anniversary of the organization Friday, June 15.

Citizens of Pendleton gathered to recognize the contributions that the Foundation had made to our town since its inception. PFT began in 1928 as a community trust fund – the first of its kind in Oregon.

From a very modest beginning, gifts received by PFT over the last ninety years – both large and small – have brought the total Trust funds to more than five million dollars. Wherever one goes in Pendleton he can see the evidence of the gifts that the Foundation has provided over the years.

To spread the story of the Foundation, Board members worked on a history book for its friends to read to help understand that early vision of the wise and dedicated founders. The book was given to the party-goers in a keepsake shopping bag.

The purpose of the birthday block party was to show appreciation for the gifts from the people genuinely interested in Pendleton. Their love and generosity have made this landmark celebration a reality. A wonderful time was had by all.

A big thank-you goes out to Sally Brandsen who worked with the Board on this wonderful celebration!

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Scholarships Awarded to PHS Graduates

The Pendleton Foundation Trust is pleased to announce the recipients of the 2018 Fisk Scholarship and Pendleton Foundation Trust Scholarships.

LAUREN RICHARDS was awarded the Fisk Scholarship of \$5,000. She is the daughter of Steve and Kim Richards. Lauren plans on attending Claremont McKenna College to major in pre-med. Her career goal is to be a physician.

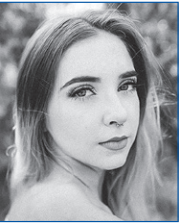
Lauren attained a GPA of 4.0 and a weighted GPA of 4.35 taking many honors and AP classes throughout her high school career. She was president of the Associated Student Body, ASTRA Member Chairman, and a Super Link Leader. During her senior year, she participated as the captain of the volleyball team and softball team. Lauren is a Citizenship Cup winner and a member of the National Honor Society.



Lauren Richards



Lily Williams



Paige Skinner

The Pendleton Foundation Trust awarded \$2,500 scholarships to Lily Williams and Paige Skinner.

LILY WILLIAMS is the daughter of John and Heidi Williams. She attained a GPA of 4.0 and a weighted GPA of 4.41. Lily was a member of the National Honor Society, French Club, Future Business Leaders of America and is a talented violinist for the high school orchestra. Lily has been accepted to Oregon State University and plans on majoring in biomedical engineering with a minor in Japanese language and culture.

PAIGE SKINNER is the daughter of Dawn Skinner. She achieved a GPA of 3.97 and a weighted GPA of 4.23. Paige served as Associated Student Body secretary. She participated on the state champion Pendleton High School Rhythmic Mode Dance Team, Leadership Club, and is active as a Link Crew Leader. Paige is also a member of the National Honor Society. Paige plans on attending University of Oregon and majoring in biology, with a career goal of being a radiologist.

The Pendleton Foundation Trust is proud to support these outstanding students as they pursue their dreams and goals.

Marie Hall joins Pendleton Foundation Trust Board

Marie Hall was recently named to the Foundation Board. She and her husband Bob, moved to Pendleton in 1977, when he purchased the Pendleton Veterinary Clinic from Dr. Russell Whitford and Dr. Lee Anderson. A graduate of Oregon State University, Marie worked with several small cities in Morrow County to develop their land use plans then served on the Umatilla County Planning Commission for nine years as their children, Sarah and Riley arrived. She was the first employee of the Arts Council of Pendleton, then became president and a board member.

In 1990, Marie was elected to the Pendleton School Board, serving 13 years. She was named the first Executive Director of Crow's Shadow Institute of the Arts in 1993 where she worked for four years. For several months in 1998, Marie worked with the Foundation Board and Jerri Bealer, to organize a mailing list, compile contributions, develop an informational brochure, and obtain a logo. In 1999, Marie joined the administrative faculty of Eastern Oregon University as Center Director and Academic Adviser serving non-traditional students, based on the BMCC Campus, where she worked until retirement in 2013.

As one of the founders of the Pendleton High School ASPIRE program, Marie continues to volunteer weekly. She is a past board member of the Pendleton Education Foundation. Marie is currently the president of the Board of Directors of Crow's Shadow Institute, a member of AAUW, President of Chapter BJ, P.E.O., and is an elder in the Pendleton Presbyterian Church. Marie sees the Pendleton Foundation Trust as a way for all to invest in Pendleton - and as key to continually improving facilities and increasing resources to benefit the entire community. She is honored to join the Foundation Board.



Marie Hall

WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

2008 Pendleton Foundation Trust Scholarship Recipient

Elizabeth Murray

Elizabeth Murray was one of two 2008 Pendleton High graduates to receive a \$2500 scholarship from the Pendleton Foundation Trust. These were the first scholarships awarded directly from the Trust. Elizabeth began her college education at Pacific University, transferring after her freshman year to Oregon State University, where she graduated with a Bachelor's Degree.

Elizabeth's mother obtained her first pair of reading glasses while Elizabeth was considering career options. Her mother's experience combined with her grandfather's loss of vision when Elizabeth was young, caused her to consider optometry as a way to practice medicine to change lives. She then completed a Doctor of Optometry (O.D.) Degree with Midwestern University Arizona College of Optometry. Since Elizabeth always enjoyed working with children - assisting with Camp Fire Camp and teaching dance to little kids - she then pursued a residency in Pediatric Optometry at Indiana University. She will complete the program in June, 2018 and plans to look for work in the Northwest or in Tennessee. Elizabeth is very thankful for the scholarship and looks forward to receiving the Trust's newsletter.

Fife, Lindberg Leave Legacy of Service

Last fall, **Brent Fife** said goodbye to the Pendleton Foundation Trust. He served on the Board from the summer of 2011 through the fall of 2017. His enthusiasm and energy were redirected to fighting a medical condition that was not nearly as tough as his spirit. Brent passed away on May 29th. We will miss him greatly, but his commitment to Pendleton and the impact that he had lives on.

Brent and his wife, Fran, grew up in the western part of Umatilla County and have lived in Pendleton for about 45 years. Brent had participated in an extensive list of community service organizations including the Red Cross, United Way and Happy Canyon. He was an important part of the St Anthony Hospital Board that brought a much-needed new hospital to Pendleton. Brent said the time he spent on the Pendleton Foundation Trust was "very worthwhile" and the best part was "meeting all those great kids from Pendleton High School and being able to give them scholarships to further their education."

Brent always had a firm handshake and something witty to say. His contributions to the Pendleton Foundation Board have been appreciated and he will be greatly missed.

Virginia Lindberg brought her knowledge, wisdom and most importantly her kind heart to the Pendleton Foundation Trust. Even though her tenure with us was way too short, most of us knew "Ginnie" from her many years of service to the citizens of Pendleton. Her love of Pendleton showed through her support of the Pendleton Center for the Arts, the Oregon East Symphony and the College Community Theatre. Ginnie also served on the Pendleton School Board for two terms. She was just beginning to share her ambitions and passions with us through the Pendleton Foundation Trust when she passed away. We will miss her, but we will always remember her and her beautiful smile. We are thankful for all that she did for Pendleton. The ripples in the pond will continue from the pebbles she dropped along the way.



Brent Fife



Virginia Lindberg

New Blower Keeps Runways Clean

One of the newest additions to the East Oregon Regional Airport is the Toro Pro-Force Blower funded by the Pendleton Foundation Trust. The EO Regional Airport has two runways, five taxiways and the apron. During the normal course of operations at the Airport the area receives quite a bit of Foreign Object Debris (FOD) and with the ever-increasing use of the facility from UAS operations, the clean runways and taxiways are critical to continued success.

Prior to purchase of the Toro Blower, staff used a back-pack style blower - but the new blower makes cleaning Runway 7/25, which is 150 feet wide and 6300 feet long, is a breeze. The productivity and time savings alone saves the City staff valuable resources that can be better allocated elsewhere. The Pendleton Foundation Board is happy to help support the City and help support the EO Regional Airport for the benefit and use of the citizens of Pendleton.



PFT Announces Spring Grants and Scholarships

The Board of Directors of the Pendleton Foundation Trust have announced allocations totaling \$69,153.00 to 9 community organizations and 7 memorial trust funds.

Recipients of current grants include:

- **Sunridge Middle School** - \$9,596.71 to purchase a set of (34) Chromebooks, a wireless printer and charging cart for the 7th and 8th grade social studies and science classes.
- **Pendleton Friends of the Library** - \$1,525.00 to purchase 50 chairs and a chair dolly for the Pendleton Library.
- **McKay Creek Elementary School** - \$3,827.97 to purchase three mobile charging carts for Chrome books.
- **Pioneer Humane Society (PAWS)** - \$2,625.00 toward the purchase of a 20 foot metal cargo storage container to store pet food at the shelter.
- **Pendleton Babe Ruth League** - \$8,753.18 toward the purchase of a small tractor with a front loader and mower for maintenance of Bob White field.
- **Pendleton Police Department** - \$2,000.00 to replace the "Sacon" concrete blocks as the protection barrier for the bullet trap at the gun range.

- **St. Mary's Church** - \$14,400.00 toward the restroom remodel project to provide a new wheelchair ramp access and comply with ADA standards for men's and women's restrooms.
- **Heritage Station/Umatilla County Historical Society** - \$10,000.00 toward refurbishing and restoring the old Signal House building on the museum grounds, which will be used to display a collection of historical artifacts and related materials from World War II.
- **Blue Mountain Community College** - \$15,000.00 toward the purchase of a concession trailer for use during athletic events, student life events, commencement, and activities that support BMCC.

The Trust Board also made the following allocations of earned income from special memorial Trust funds, which totals \$1,425.75:

- \$658.98 - **Parks and Playgrounds Fund** of the City of Pendleton;
- \$ 30.08 - **Roy Raley Memorial Fund** of the City of Pendleton;
- \$228.41 - **Kilkenny Fund** at Blue Mountain Community College Library;

- \$ 95.81 - **Donert Memorial Fund** at Pendleton Public Library;
- \$187.06 - **Jack Mulligan Memorial Fund** at Pendleton Public Library
- \$ 39.35 - **Woodmen of the World Fund** at Pendleton Public Library;
- \$186.06 - **ANA Memorial Fund** at Pendleton Public Library;

An additional \$14,000.00 will be given in scholarship awards, as follows:

- \$1,000.00 - **Ole Groupe FFA Memorial Scholarship Fund** for Pendleton High School FFA Chapter, for an FFA student to attend the FFA National Convention.
- \$1,000.00 - **The Alan Wyland Memorial Scholarship Fund** provides a scholarship to benefit a Pendleton High School student, with a preference for the study of music, which is also a memorial fund of the Pendleton Foundation Trust.
- \$5,000.00 - **Jiggs and Maxine Fisk scholarship award**
- \$5,000.00 - **Pendleton Foundation Trust** - two awards of \$2,500 each.
- \$1,000.00 - **University of Oregon Alumni Assoc.** - Let'er Duck Scholarship
- \$1,000.00 - **David Jon Lindberg Memorial Scholarship**

GRANT APPLICATION DEADLINE - OCTOBER 1, 2018 is the deadline for applying for grants from the Pendleton Foundation Trust. Applications may be found online at www.pendletonfoundationtrust.com