PFT Announces Spring Grants

The Board of Directors of the Pendleton Foundation Trust have announced allocations totaling \$97,320.00 to 13 community organizations and 7 memorial trust funds.

Recipients of current grants include:

- PENDLETON PUBLIC LIBRARY \$1,850.00 to purchase computer tables to transform the current public computer area into a classroom-like environment to offer workshops and classes.
- SMART READING \$798.00 to purchase paperback books for children enrolled in the SMART reading program at Pendleton Early Learning Center.
- CLEARVIEW DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTER \$4,094.98 to purchase an office sign and security cameras as they combine the office/warehouse into one location.
- PENDLETON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE DBA TRAVEL **PENDLETON - \$1,000.00** to have a large mural painted in Pendleton to coincide with the current Travel Oregon Mural Trail.
- PENDLETON ROUND-UP AND HAPPY CANYON HALL OF FAME - \$5,884.00 toward application of a weatherproof roof coating to seal the roof.
- PENDLETON LITTLE LEAGUE \$13,700.00 toward asphalt paving of the main work area.
- PENDLETON FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY \$8,000.00 toward purchase of RFID workstation and labels for the Pendleton Public Library.
- GUARDIAN CARE CENTER, INC. \$3,628.00 to upgrade the security system.

- PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH, PENDLETON \$8,945.00 toward purchase of a new sound system for the sanctuary for use by two church groups and other community groups.
- BUCKAROO BASEBALL CLUB, INC. \$1,000.00 toward replacement of equipment and gear.
- HAPPY CANYON FOUNDATION, INC. \$12,000.00 to repair and seal concrete flooring in grandstand/box seating area.
- PENDLETON CONVENTION CENTER \$20,000.00 toward renovation of the Happy Canyon Room.
- MCKAY CREEK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL \$15,000.00 to purchase 55 Chromebooks with a portable charge cart.

The Trust Board also made the following allocations of earned income from special memorial trust funds, which totals \$1,420.07:

- \$656.36 PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS FUND of the City of Pendleton;
- **\$29.96 ROY RALEY MEMORIAL FUND** of the City of Pendleton;
- **\$227.50 KILKENNY FUND** at Blue Mountain Community College Library;
- \$ 95.43 DONERT MEMORIAL FUND at Pendleton Public Library:
- \$186.31 JACK MULLIGAN MEMORIAL FUND at Pendleton Public Library
- \$39.19 WOODMEN OF THE WORLD FUND at Pendleton Public Library;
- \$185.32 ANA MEMORIAL FUND at Pendleton Public Library.

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FISK SCHOLARSHIP

ASHLYNN MADRIL was awarded the Fisk Scholarship, in memory of Jiggs and Maxine Fisk,

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The Pendleton Foundation Trust has been serving and supporting our community for over ninety years. The Molls' history in Pendleton started well before the creation of Pendleton Foundation Trust when Cornelius "Gus" Moll moved from Missouri to the Pendleton area with three rowdy boys in the late 1800s. The family was not only involved in ranching, but Gus became Mayor of Pendleton in the early 1900s and the Moll family ran the local UTOCO Oil Company for several years. Two generations later, Dale Moll was born and raised in Pendleton by one of Gus's rowdy sons. After graduating from Pendleton High School, Dale attended Linfield College to study business, where he met a big city girl from Portland by the name of Shirley Stewart. Shortly after graduating from Linfield, Dale was drafted into the Army and served in Germany, but before he left on his tour of duty, he married Shirley; that was 63 years ago. Shirley was not able to join Dale during his active duty, but after he completed his tour with the Army, Shirley flew to Europe for their belated, but extended honeymoon.

Within days of returning to Pendleton, Dale was offered a job with the US Bank, to which he lovally devoted himself for more than 30 years. In the meantime, Shirley was busy running the household raising two children, working at several jobs, and giving her time to a host of civic organizations.





Pendleton Foundation Trust Board of Directors From left, back row: Kevin Hale, Lonnie Read, David Blanc, J.J. Spriet From left, seated: Marie Hall, Pat Terjeson, Donna Biggerstaff

The purpose of the Pendleton Foundation Trust is:

- To assist civic and educational undertakings whether now supported by private gifts or public taxation.
- To improve educational and scientific research.
- To improve living conditions or to provide recreation or recreational grounds for all classes.
- For such other civic or public purposes as will best make for the mental, moral and physical improvement of the inhabitants of the city of Pendleton.

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Molls' Roots Run Deep in Pendleton



Dale Moll



Shirley and Dale Moll

During these years in Pendleton, the Molls formed a strong group of friends which they continue to enjoy today. Shirley's philosophy is to take care of family first, then church and community, and then everything else falls into place. Following this philosophy, the Molls have generously donated not only their time and talents to our community, but they have donated financially as well. By taking advantage of qualified charitable distributions from their IRA accounts, they have made more tax-free dollars available to the local charities that they support. Shirley says she likes to contribute to the Pendleton Foundation Trust because she knows that the PFT Board will do the hard work of investigating how to best use those funds. She is confident that the donations that they make to the Pendleton Foundation Trust are well cared for. She said, "It's an honor to give to the Foundation; it's the right thing to do."

2020 Scholarships Awarded

The PFT board is pleased to announce the 2020 recipients of college scholarships administered by Pendleton Foundation Trust. These include the Fisk Scholarship, the Pendleton Foundation Trust Scholarships, the David Jon Lindberg Memorial Scholarship, and the Dudek Scholarships.



Ashlynn Madril

\$5.000. Ashlvnn is the daughter of Allen and Michelle Madril of Pendleton. She intends to study neuroscience at Colorado State this fall. Ashlynn participated in Orchestra, Leadership, Girls Soccer, and Girls Tennis. She also was a member of CommuniCare, President of National Honors Society, and ASB secretary.

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GRANT FUNDING REVIEW **Aldrich, May and Sherwood Parks**

n September of 2016, the Pendleton Parks and Recreation applied to the Pendleton Foundation Trust for a grant for assistance with replacing and updating playground equipment at Aldrich Park, May Park and Sherwood park. Some of the playground features had become unsafe, and newer, safer equipment was very much in need. This is a fine example of the kinds of grant requests that fit very well into the mission of the Pendleton Foundation Trust. This particular project was of the "bundle" variety, a process that the State of Oregon uses when processing grants as an option to reduce the cost of similar projects by attempting to complete them all at the same time. This option is used commonly for curbing or street paving or similar capital projects. This was only the second successful bundling of playground equipment projects on record.

The process was not an easy one. To qualify for larger State of Oregon grants, private funding was also sorely needed in order to complete the projects. With assistance from the Pendleton Foundation Trust, the \$145,000+ project budget was secured and the quest for new playground equipment was completed. Part of the urgent need of the project was recognizing the availability of playground equipment in local neighborhoods. All three parks needed attention not only due to the safety of the equipment available, but also the location of the parks and the ease of accessing nearby equipment for neighborhood children. Playground equipment technology has vastly improved over the years, replacing older unsafe spring operated equipment with safer, more appealing swings, climbers and slides. As you can see in the attached photos, the new equipment is wearing well, and should



have a life of fun and accessibility for many years to come.

Capital projects like this one, along with the determination and creativity of our local city officials and citizens goes a long way to making Pendleton a great place to live. The

many ways of accomplishing that are wide and varied. The Pendleton Foundation Trust takes your donations and ideas and strives to be uniquely suited to help your project in the future, and to help make Pendleton a fantastic community for our citizens of all ages!

WHERE ARE **THEY NOW?**

2011 Pendleton Foundation Trust Scholarship Recipient



annah (Hale) Breen graduated from Pendleton High School in 2011, where she was Senior Class President. After high school, Hannah continued on to Whitworth University in Spokane, Washington where she received a Bachelor of Science degree in Elementary and Special Education. She then attended Eastern Washington University earning her Master's Degree in Communication Sciences and Disorders.

Hannah was married in June 2019, and currently resides in Spokane, Washington with her husband Aaron and golden retriever, Norman. She is a Speech Language Pathologist in Central Valley School District, and loves her work with young children.

Hannah truly appreciates the support of Pendleton Foundation and the opportunity to pursue her education. She is grateful for the wonderful experiences she had while growing up in Pendleton, and for the many people who supported her along the way. Hannah finds it extremely rewarding in her career as a Speech Language Pathologist, as she works hard to make a positive impact and build a strong foundation for her students and their future.

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Ashlynn received the citizenship cup, graduated with highest honors, part-time at Big John's in Pendleton. Other BMCC students receiving 2020-2021 Dudek Scholarships and varsity letters for soccer and tennis as well as achievement awards in various classes (i.e. having over 95% in the class). include HUNTER BAUM (\$3,000), CEISEY CASTANEDA She is most excited about meeting new people and getting involved MARTINEZ (\$3,000), ALORHA KAPLANOVIC (\$2,400), and **JESSAMY LAMONT** (\$2,400). Criteria for these awards through in the new community at Colorado State, along with beginning classes the BMCC Foundation, specified students have graduated from high in her major of neuroscience. school prior to 2020 and be continuing college students with GPA's of PENDLETON FOUNDATION TRUST SCHOLARSHIPS 2.0 or higher.



REMINGTON CHRISTENSEN and HANNAH RASMUSSEN were each awarded a Pendleton Foundation Trust Scholarship for \$2,500.

Remington Chrisensen

Remington is the son of Denny and Wendy Christensen. He participated in the Tremaine Performance Program, Walla Walla Dance Company, and National Honors Society. He has received the following awards, Chapman Provost Scholarship, Chapman Talent Scholarship, 3x Tremaine Scholarship Recipient, 2018, and 2019 Spotlight Dance Convention Senior Solo Diamond award and Highest Score Overall, 2017-2018 Onstage New York Senior Solo Platinum award and 2nd Highest Score Overall.

Hannah Rasmussen

Remington will be attending Chapman University in Orange, California to study Dance and Business

Administration. At Chapman, he is most excited to be in a prestigious dance program and to be dancing with amazing people, developing life long friends, and lastly advancing my dance professionalism to give back to younger dancers.

Hannah is the daughter of Rick and Rebecca Rasmussen. She graduated with AAOT from Blue Mountain Community College and will attend the U of Oregon to study pre-med and psychiatry.

DUDEK SCHOLARSHIPS



KYRA FORD, a BMCC pre-nursing student, recently received a \$2,400 grant from the Pendleton Foundation Trust made possible by the estate gift of Lee Dudek. Kyra, who will be a second year BMCC student, plans to complete a nursing degree with BMCC then continue through the OHSU program in La Grande to earn a BS in Nursing. From there, she

plans to continue in a Family Nurse Practitioner Master's program to work with families. In addition to focusing on the challenges of online learning and changes in courses necessitated by Covid-19, she works

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Two additional Dudek Scholarships will be awarded through the Eastern Oregon University Foundation to students from the Pendleton area who are continuing college study with EOU. Announcement of recipients will be made later this summer.

With Clelan "Lee" Dudek's estate gift to the Pendleton Foundation Trust, he acted on his belief in the need for young people to gain an education - which might include a skill or trade. In December, 2019, four BMCC students enrolled in the Diesel Tech Program received \$3,000 scholarships, to purchase tools required to continue in the diesel program.

DAVID JON LINDBERG MEMORIAL **SCHOLARSHIP**

JACOB LEE has been named the recipient of the 2020 David Jon Lindberg Memorial Scholarship. Jacob, a graduating Pendleton High School senior, intends to use the \$2,500 scholarship to attend Oregon State University-Cascades, where he plans to

major in Natural Resources and Forestry. Jacob is working towards becoming an aerial firefighter and

participated for two years in the Outlaw Aviation program at Sisters High School, flying and studying. Lee initiated a remote control plane club at Sisters High School and, now returned to Pendleton, is putting in flight hours at the Pendleton Airport for his private pilot license. Lee is involved in numerous school and community activities and has worked for the Columbia Basin Agricultural Research Center (CBARC).

Jacob is the son of Eleanor and Patrick Struthers of Pendleton. This is the 41st anniversary of the scholarship which honors the memory of David Jon Lindberg. It was established by the people of Pendleton as a tribute to him. It is awarded each year to an outstanding Pendleton High School graduate whose career embodies the standards Lindberg set: commitment to citizenship, scholarship and family. The scholarship funds are managed by the Pendleton Foundation Trust.

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