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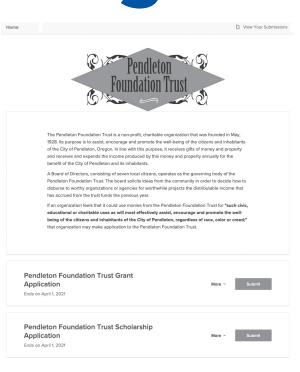
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The Pendleton Foundation Trust is stepping up its information technology game! The time has come to introduce online grant management software into our process of receiving, reviewing and archiving information from our grantees and scholarship applicants. It has taken several months to select the software that is the best fit for PFT. There are over 80 companies that offer grant management software, so sorting through different software vendors became a bigger chore than we originally imagined. However, a PFT dedicated committee has recently selected Submittable grant management software as the best choice for both grantees and PFT moving forward.

Grantees will now be able to access the new cloud-based software through our website, www. pendletonfoundationtrust.com. They will be able to sign-in through a secure, encrypted portal with their own username and password. Once they have logged in, they will provide information about their organization as well as their proposed grant project. In addition, they will be allowed to attach Word, Excel, and other types of files to their application in order to provide PFT with a complete picture of their organization and grant request. Submittable is designed to be simple and convenient and should reduce the burden of submitting grant proposal information to PFT. Grantees will be able to work on their grant applications online and save a draft to be completed later. The software will provide flexibility in the grant application process by not requiring the grantee to complete the application in one sitting. The software also allows PFT to communicate more efficiently with the grantee through the private portal to ask for required inputs and to ensure necessary information is not omitted.

Once grant applications are submitted, the software will make it easier to provide grant proposal information to the assigned PFT reviewers. The reviewers will have a standardized approach with a side-by-side view of the grant application and a custom review form which will provide a more consistent approach to the evaluation of grant applications. More generally, the software will also provide the PFT Board with analytic tools and current and historic data for a clearer understanding of the



The Pendleton Foundation Trust now uses Submittable grant management software to streamline grant and scholarship applications.

impact that PFT has on the community of Pendleton. Pendleton Foundation Trust will also use Submittable to manage our scholarship application submission and review process. Scholarship applicants will find the new software much more user friendly than our old process and our selection committee will be better positioned to

In summary, PFT's new Submittable online application management software will provide a convenient, time-saving, and cost-effective approach to administering our grant and scholarship programs and will archive important application information for future reference by our successors. We expect to "go live" by

evaluate their applications more efficiently.

www.pendletonfoundationtrust.com

February 1, 2021 for the spring applicants. Log on!

2020-21 Dudek Scholarships

During the 20221 academic year, seven students from Pendleton received \$13,200 in scholarships to attend Blue Mountain Community College or Eastern Oregon University as a result of the Lee Dudek estate gift to the Pendleton Foundation Trust.

Baum Hunter is "very thankful" for his \$3,000 award as he completes an AS Degree in Fire Science with BMCC, to prepare for employment in wildland fire control, with the BIA or US Forest Service. A 2018 PHS graduate, he plans to finish his degree spring term, 2021 and wants to live and work in eastern Oregon.

Jessamy Lamont expects to receive her AAOT spring term, 2021 from BMCC, then will transfer to OSU to pursue a psychology degree to work as a childlife specialist in a children's



Jessamy LaMont

hospital. A 2019 PHS graduate, she thanks the Trust for the \$2400 award and for investing in her education. "It is greatly appreciated and I will be sure to make good use of my education."

Other BMCC scholarship recipients include Ceisey Castaneda Martinez, Alorah Kaplanovic and Kyra Ford.

Grants of \$3,000 were awarded to two Eastern Oregon University students, Madison Parker, a senior completing a degree in elementary education and Drew Lunny, a 2018 PHS graduate pursuing his goal of teaching high school history. Madison plans to stay in the Pendleton community "to teach and provide her students the same positive opportunities I experienced." Drew, a former BMCC student and ambassador, noted the award helps him in these difficult and troubling times as students complete degrees during the pandemic.

WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

2011 Pendleton Foundation Trust Scholarship Recipient

Patrick McBee



After graduating from Pendleton High School in 2011, Patrick attended Boston College where he graduated with a bachelor of science degree in Biology and Economics in 2015. He worked for a research consulting firm in the pharmaceutical industry in Boston as a research analyst immediately after finishing his undergraduate degree. He married his wife, Jessica in 2017 and earned a masters degree from Boston University in 2018.

Patrick and Jessica (and their dog, Griffin) then moved to Omaha, Nebraska to attend Creighton University School of Medicine, where they reside today.

Currently, Patrick is planning to pursue a residency program in general surgery upon graduating from medical school in 2022. He is thankful for the lessons that were instilled in him from the community of Pendleton and the support from the Pendleton Foundation Trust.

Creative Giving to the Foundation Trust

Did you know there are many ways you can contribute to the Pendleton Foundation Trust? Your accountant or financial professional could be the key to accessing funds that you may like to contribute. Most everyone knows they can write a check as a charitable donation to the Trust, but have you thought of other ways?

If you're over 72 you are required to take Required Minimum Distributions from your Individual Retirement Account. Many times these distributions can be directly routed to PFT through your financial professional. If you have a portion of your nest egg that you could use to offset a tax bill, a good way to do it is to donate to the Foundation Trust.

How about proceeds from a well performing portfolio outside of an IRA? You can pay capital gains on the profit, or donate some of the proceeds to the Pendleton Foundation Trust. You can even gift actual shares of stock that you own. Make



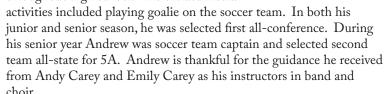
an appointment with your financial professional today for a consultation on how you can lower your personal tax liability and help your community at the same time, through a creative charitable contribution to Pendleton Foundation Trust!

2020 Wyland Memorial Scholarship

The Alan Wyland Memorial Scholarship established in April of 1998 is given in memory of Alan Wyland, a youth pastor and vocalist. It is awarded to a Pendleton High School senior who is involved in music or the performing arts, with an emphasis in music.

In the spring of 2020, Andrew Wolotira was recognized as the recipient of the Alan Wyland Memorial Scholarship and received a scholarship of \$1,000.

Andrew is a talented musician and vocalist. In high school he was a member of Jazz band, symphonic band, swing choir and A Cappella Choir. He plays the piano, bass guitar, and guitar. He represented Pendleton High School in honor choir and honor band throughout high school. His extracurricular



He is attending Blue Mountain Community College and will graduate this spring with an Associate of Arts Oregon Transfer Degree. Following graduation from Blue Mountain Community College, Andrew plans to transfer to a university where he will double major in computer science and marketing with a minor in music and hopes to continue playing soccer. Andrew is the son of Fred and Liz Wolotira.



Andrew Wolotira

GRANT & SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINES

GRANTS

The Pendleton Foundation Trust offers two grant cycles each year for the community based grants - April 1 and October 1. Those grant applications on hand by those dates will be reviewed shortly afterwards. Those community groups or individuals that are located within the City of Pendleton, Oregon are eligible for the Pendleton Foundation Trust grant program.

SCHOLARSHIPS

The scholarships application submittal deadline is April 1st of each year and are available only for PHS graduating seniors.

Applications may be found online at www.pendletonfoundationtrust.com



PFT Announces Fall Grants

Total of Pendleton Foundation Trust grants, memorial trust funds and scholarships given in 2020

\$192,782.41

The Board of Directors of the Pendleton Foundation Trust has awarded fall grants in the amount of \$59,762.36 to the following recipients:

- **Pendleton School District the sum of \$18,511.3**6 to replace drinking fountains in all buildings with water-filling stations.
- Oregon East Symphony & Chorale the sum of \$2,151.00 to replace two laptop computers
 and software in the office, and purchase two air filters for the office and private lesson studio
 space.
- The Vert Theatre the sum of \$24,100.00 to replace the auditorium window black-out curtains and tracks.
- Umatilla County Historical Society the sum of \$15,000.00 to replace a portion of the roof over the Heritage Station Museum building.