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From left, back row: Kevin Hale, Lonnie Read, David Blanc, J.J. Spriet From left, seated: Marie Hall, Pat Terjeson (retired), 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.

The Foundation thanks those who have made a contribution to Pendleton Foundation Trust. This support makes it possible to provide more grants that improve life in our Pendleton community.

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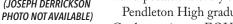
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Dudek Scholarships Continue to Assist BMCC, EOU Students

hrough the challenges of distance learning caused by the Covid-19 pandemic, students continue to receive scholarships made possible by the Lee and Luella Dudek estate gift to the Pendleton Foundation Trust. Through the 2021-22 academic year, more than \$40,000 has been awarded Pendleton students attending Blue Mountain

Community College and Eastern Oregon University. Those receiving awards find them especially helpful as they near completion of degree programs.

Joseph Derrickson and Kyra Ford, BMCC students, each received \$3,000 scholarships for the 2021-22 academic year. Both plan to complete Associate of Arts Oregon Transfer (AAOT) degree requirements, spring, 2022. Though unsure of a career, Joseph's interests include architecture and computer technician work. A first generation college student, Kyra is completing nursing pre-requisites while working as a CNA at St. Anthony Hospital. She said her "first two years at BMCC have exceeded



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her expectations every step of the way." Pendleton High graduates Brooklyn Lunny and Carissa Cooley, seniors at EOU, each received \$3,000 scholarships as they complete Elementary Education and Multidiscipline Degree requirements. Carissa



Teacher Pathway, charting their academic plan since students at PHS. They are happy practicum experiences are face-to-face this year at La Grande Middle School and Island City Elementary, after many online courses last year.

Carissa noted with the scholarship, she is able to "focus on my school work and not worry so much about how I am going to pay for school. I hope that one day I will also be able to help struggling students reach their goals in higher education by assisting them in the same way you are helping me."

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and Brooklyn, friends since kindergarten and now roommates, are part of the Oregon

New Pendleton Art: A Symbol of Honor

endleton has recently added two new and noteworthy works of art to our public spaces. Last July, the "Beacon of the Sentinels" was unveiled, honoring the service members of all five branches of the military. In November, we paid tribute to George Fletcher at the ribbon-cutting ceremony for the most recent addition to the Oregon Mural Trail, made possible by Travel Oregon and Travel Pendleton. Pendleton Foundation Trust has not only supported these artistic improvements to our community, but continues to support many of our area's cultural organizations including Oregon East Symphony, College Community Theatre, the Pendleton High School music program, the Rivoli Theater Coalition, and the Arts Council of Pendleton. Art is essential to the well-being and soul of our community and without it our society would be flat, dull, and lifeless. Art provides memories of the past, excitement in the present, and inspiration for the future. We are all blessed to enjoy the visual and performing arts provided by the members of our community.

The Foundation's mission is to grant monies to those organizations that will promote civic, educational, or charitable uses as will most effectively assist, encourage, and promote the well-being of the citizens and inhabitants of the City of Pendleton. We have donated to the City of Pendleton and its parks, police and fire stations, along with Round-Up and Happy Canyon. We have supported artistic, cultural, and historical initiatives as well as youth sports and senior services. We have given funds to local hospitals and supported education through contributions to the Pendleton Public Schools and Blue Mountain Community College. We have been here for over 90 years, the longest of any community foundation in Oregon. We are here to make a difference in our community.

Your donations are what provide Pendleton Foundation Trust the resources to make Pendleton a better place for all of us, so please remember us in your charitable giving. May you and yours have a healthy and prosperous 2022.

— Lonnie Read, PFT Board Member



ABOVE: George Fletcher mural is a new addition to the Oregon Mural Trail

RIGHT: The "Beacon of the Sentinels" installation honors military service mambers



Terjeson retires from PFT Board

at Terjeson, as one of its longest serving Board members, retired from the Pendleton Foundation Trust Board in 2021.

Pat was born and raised in Pendleton. She lived in Eugene for four years while attending the University of Oregon. After her husband Ron completed a two-year tour in the Army, they returned to Eastern Oregon to farm outside of Helix for 30 years.

Pat joined the Board in 1996 and has been an active part in the growth and direction of the Trust. When she joined the Board in 1996, grants totaled \$61,222 and have since grown to a total of \$155,662 awarded in the year 2020. In addition to the gustomary duties of a Board

year 2020. In addition to the customary duties of a Board member, Pat took on the added responsibility for the publication of the summer and winter newsletters.



In addition to her participation with Pendleton Foundation Trust, her community service has included being a Director and President of the Round-Up and Happy Canyon Hall of Fame, Director of the Heritage Station Museum and service on the Vestry and Altar Guild of the Episcopal Church. In 1994, Pat was recognized as one of Pendleton's First Citizens, an honor bestowed upon individuals who have performed outstanding community service.

The motto of the Pendleton Foundation Trust is Pendleton people helping Pendleton people. Pat's service to the Board and the Pendleton community

is a shining example of that philosophy. The Board is losing a very valuable member and her commitment to the betterment of the City of Pendleton will be missed.

There are many ways to contribute to the Pendleton Foundation Trust!



- PLANNED GIVING -

he moto of the Pendleton Foundation Trust is "Pendleton People Helping Pendleton People."

Established in 1928 the Pendleton Foundation Trust is the oldest community foundation in the State of Oregon and with over \$6 million in assets the Pendleton Foundation grants tens of thousands of dollars yearly to organizations that promote the well-being of the citizens and inhabitants of Pendleton. Countless programs have been supported over the last 93 years.

Leave a legacy of your values and vision to the Pendleton Foundation through naming the Pendleton Foundation as a beneficiary of your will, retirement plan, life insurance policy or other planned giving vehicles. With a planned gift you can, enhance the livability of Pendleton, improve the lifestyle in Pendleton, and strengthen Pendleton for generations to come.

Contact the Pendleton Foundation Trust at 541-276-3331 - PO Box 218, Pendleton OR 97801 or contact your attorney and your financial advisor. Let them know you are considering a planned gift to the Pendleton Foundation. They can assist you in determining what type of gift best suits your personal and financial circumstances. Thank you for your support.

- CREATIVE GIVING -

id you know there are many ways you can contribute to the Pendleton Foundation Trust? Your accountant or financial professional could help guide you to access funds that you may like to contribute. Most everyone knows they can write a check as a charitable donation to the Trust, but there are other ways that may be a benefit to you when it comes to tax time.

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 at distribution time. If you have a portion of

your nest egg that you would like to use to offset a tax bill, a good way to do it is to make a charitable contribution to the Pendleton 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!

- DIGITAL GIVING -

id you know The Pendleton Foundation has updated its ability for offering digital giving? As we saw the growth of digital giving continue to grow, the Pendleton Foundation made an update to its website to make online giving convenient, fast, and secure options for your online donation considerations.

It's as simple as clicking a button.

You will be able to choose how you support the foundation online with your donations as well. You have the ability to designate your gift as a general donation, a memorial gift, in honor of someone or to celebrate an occasion. And did you know that your donation supports community organizations in Pendleton, never leaving our community! Scholarships awarded through the Pendleton Foundation Trust are given to students who have attended and graduated from Pendleton School District. Your donations support local nonprofits and people right here in our community, leaving a lasting legacy.

Another way we have improved our website is by offering a convenient, fast, and secure option for those who are applying for grant funding. And again, it is as simple as clicking a button and following the prompts which walk you through the application process.

If you are a student or know a student you'll find the scholarship application form streamlined as well. Just go to our website.

The Pendleton Foundation Trust is a non-profit, charitable organization that was founded in May 1928. Its purpose is to assist, encourage and promote the well-being of the citizens and inhabitants of the City of Pendleton, Oregon. In line with this purpose, it receives gifts of money and property from interested persons and organizations. In turn, it invests this money and property and receives and expends the income produced by this money and property annually for the benefit of the City of Pendleton and its inhabitants.

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