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Grant Funds Launch Fundraising for the FFA Land Lab Barn Restoration

Funds from the Pendleton Foundation Trust have helped launch the fundraising campaign to restore the Pendleton FFA Chapter's Land Lab Barn.

"Future Farmers of America" was founded in 1928 with a mission to prepare future generations for the challenges of feeding a growing population. The Oregon FFA was founded the following year, with the Pendleton FFA earning its charter in 1929. Today, FFA's vision is to grow the next generation of leaders who will change the world. FFA provides a path to achievement in leadership, personal growth, and career success through agricultural education. Their motto is Learning to Do, Doing to Learn, Earning to Live, and Living to Serve.

The Pendleton FFA Chapter and Pendleton Agriculture Science and Technology Program is a Career and Technical Education Program within the Pendleton School District, serving grades 7-12 with over 150 students within the program. Students are encouraged to have supervised agriculture experiences which enhance their interests and help them gain real world skills and experiences. Countless Pendleton students have entered the

program and earned state and national honors through various leadership roles.

The City of Pendleton leases over 5 acres near the Wastewater Treatment Plant for Pendleton FFA students to have a "Land Lab", where supervised agricultural experiences include market animals that are raised for the four livestock shows that students compete in throughout the year.

The Land Lab provides a space for students who may not live in town or have the space themselves to keep and raise steers, goats, sheep, and swine. It allows students to expand their knowledge and experience.

The barn on the property is old and run down, with makeshift pens that are barely workable to make space for the animals. The electrical needs to be brought up to code and upgraded to allow students to properly care for their animals. The barn



will be gutted for the renovation to make actual pens and provide better movement and flow to utilize the full space and potential for the barn.

The budget for the restoration is \$60,000. The \$10,000 grant from the Pendleton Foundation Trust will help to leverage grant funds, while students and parents raise additional funds from the community. Join us in supporting this awesome project in our community!

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The Foundation Board 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.

Pendleton Alumni Scholarship

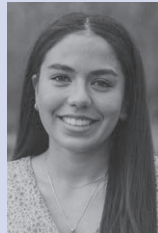
Tami Walkup, from Pendleton High School Class of 1979 presented **Kylee Nelson** with the Pendleton Alumni Scholarship, for an award of \$2,500. It was recently announced the scholarship has been expanded to include up to four years of support for a total of \$10,000. Kylee will be attending Oregon State University and Linn Benton Community College through a dual enrollment program, studying to become an Occupational Therapist. Kylee was a member of the PHS swim team, Jazz Band, and served as President of ASTRA in her senior year. A recipient of the PHS Citizenship Cup Award, Kylee performed many hours of volunteer service throughout her high school career.



Kylee Nelson

David Jon Lindberg Memorial Scholarship

Ashtyn Larsen has been named the recipient of the 2024 David Jon Lindberg Memorial Scholarship. This is the 45th anniversary of the scholarship which honors the memory of David Jon Lindberg. 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. Larsen, a graduating Pendleton High School senior, intends to use the \$2,500 scholarship at Brigham Young University, where she plans to major in chemical engineering.



Ashtyn Larsen

Let 'er Duck Scholarship

Tarin Golsalves was awarded the 2024 Let 'er Duck Scholarship in the amount of \$1,000. This annual scholarship is awarded to a student attending the University of Oregon by the University of Oregon Alumni Association, Let 'er Duck Chapter. Tarin Golsalves is considering computer science or media studies.



Manuel Lopez

Alan Wyland Memorial Scholarship

Abby Foust is the recipient of the \$1,000 Alan Wyland Memorial Scholarship, given in memory of Alan Wyland, youth pastor and vocalist, to a PHS graduate for college studies with an emphasis in music. Abby is planning to attend Eastern Oregon University to study the performing arts.



Abby Foust

Ole Groupe Memorial Scholarship

Krystena Lindsay, a Pendleton High School sophomore, has received the Ole Groupe Memorial Scholarship in the amount of \$2,000. This scholarship is awarded each year in memory of Ole Groupe, to support a Pendleton High School student attending the FFA Convention. This weeklong conference allows students to develop their speaking and presentation skills. Krystena has been in FFA for two years, and is looking to expand into a leadership role next year as an officer.

Philanthropy – Not Just for the Wealthy

At the Pendleton Foundation Trust, the generosity of our donors enables us to create a meaningful impact in our community. Since 1928, this community trust fund has grown from modest beginnings to more than \$7 million. These funds are carefully invested, and the income generated is allocated to grants for community nonprofit organizations that enhance the City of Pendleton and the quality of life for its citizens. Evidence of these gifts can be seen throughout Pendleton, showcasing the Foundation's investments in the community.

Foundations like ours play a crucial role in connecting the passions of local donors with the needs of the community. Generous contributions are invested to amplify our giving power, and the earnings are distributed to support community initiatives. Each donation, regardless of size, helps us achieve our mission and make a lasting difference.

Philanthropy is not reserved for the wealthy; anyone can become a philanthropist and make a positive impact through Pendleton Foundation Trust. There are numerous ways everyday citizens can get involved. Monetary donations, whether one-time gifts or recurring contributions and whatever the size, are always needed and deeply appreciated. Memorial donations provide a meaningful way to honor loved ones.

For those looking to make a long-term impact, planned giving offers several avenues. Estate planning allows you to include the Pendleton Foundation Trust in your will, ensuring your legacy of giving continues. Bequests, where a specific amount or percentage of your estate is designated to the Foundation, are a straightforward way to contribute. Additionally, naming the Foundation as a beneficiary in your life insurance policy or retirement accounts can provide substantial support. Charitable distributions from IRAs are another method, especially for those over 70½, as they can be made directly to the Foundation without incurring taxable income. Consult with an accounting professional to determine the best avenue for you.

The Pendleton Foundation Trust is more than just a conduit for giving. We can serve as a valuable resource to amplify your contributions and leverage your giving to create a lasting impact. We invite you to join us in making a difference. Whether through donations or planned giving, your support is invaluable. For more information on the Foundation and how you can get involved, please contact Executive Director, Tiffany Hegarty, at thegarty@pendletonfoundationtrust.org or visit our website at www.pendletonfoundationtrust.org.

COMMUNITY GRANT DEADLINES

The Pendleton Foundation Trust offers two grant cycles each year for community based grants – April 1 and October 1. Grant applications submitted by those dates will be reviewed shortly afterwards. Nonprofit organizations recognized under Section 501(c)3 of the Internal Revenue Code and School or Government agencies located within the City of Pendleton and benefiting Pendleton citizens are eligible to apply. Applications open approximately 2 months before the deadline at www.pendletonfoundationtrust.org/submittable.

Foundation Trust Awards 2024 Scholarships

The Pendleton Foundation Trust announced its 2024 scholarship awards at the Pendleton High School Scholarship Night on May 29th, 2024. PFT Board Member and Scholarship Committee Chair Marie Hall presented the awards to students who had shown exceptional academic achievement, leadership, and community service.

The Jiggs and Maxine Fisk Memorial Scholarship

Manuel Lopez was awarded the Jiggs and Maxine Fisk Memorial Scholarship in the amount of \$3,000, renewable for second year for a total of \$6,000. At PHS Manuel founded the Chess Club and was named to the 1st Team GOL All-Conference Soccer Team in his senior year. He attended the Northeast Oregon Medquest Camp where he was able to job shadow healthcare professionals. Manuel plans to attend the University of Arizona to study nursing.



Manuel Lopez

Pendleton Foundation Trust - Dudek Scholarship

Hailey Schmidt and **Alison Spratling** were each awarded a Pendleton Foundation Trust – Dudek Scholarship in the amount of \$2,400, renewable for a second year for a total of \$4,800.

Hailey will study nursing at Miracosta College in California. She played basketball and soccer at PHS, serving as Captain for both teams. Hailey founded the Ecology Club at PHS in 2023, bringing awareness about environmental issues.

Alison is graduating with a GPA of 3.95 and will attend Oregon State University to major in Crop and Soil Science and minor in Spanish. She was an active member of FFA, and a four-sport athlete.



Hailey Schmidt



Alison Spratling

Earnings from bequests specifically made to support Pendleton School District graduates in pursuing their higher education goals enable Pendleton Foundation Trust to award these scholarships.

Pendleton Foundation Trust Opens First Dedicated Office Space

Pendleton Foundation Trust has opened its first dedicated office space in the Banner Bank building at 125 SE Court Avenue, Suite C. This new development marks a significant milestone in our mission to serve the Pendleton community more effectively.

The new office space was generously donated by Banner Bank, reflecting their strong commitment to supporting the local community. We have also established a new mailing address at P.O. Box 1950, Pendleton, OR, 97801, for all correspondence.

Previously, the Foundation operated out of the Corey, Byler & Rew law offices. We are incredibly grateful to Corey, Byler & Rew for their decades of support and for providing us with a home base as we grew.

Our new office is situated among a suite of community-focused organizations, including United Way of the Blue Mountains and the Pendleton Downtown Association. This location fosters improved collaboration and engagement with our donors, partners, and the broader community.

We look forward to welcoming you to our new office, where you can learn more about our initiatives, explore ways to contribute, and see firsthand the positive impact we are making in Pendleton. Together, we are creating a brighter future for all.

PENDLETON FOUNDATION TRUST SPRING GRANT AWARDS

The Board of Directors of the Pendleton Foundation Trust has announced allocations totaling **\$94,629.35**, providing funding for eight community organizations and seven memorial trust funds. Recipients of current spring grants for 2024 include:

- **Arts Council of Pendleton - \$5,500** toward the replacement of an aging heating system.
- **City of Pendleton, Parks & Recreation Department - \$10,000** to purchase security cameras for the Recreation Center and the Aquatic Center.
- **College Community Theatre - \$8,500** toward upgrading sound equipment.
- **Happy Canyon Foundation - \$6,000** to support rebuilding the "Elk Area" of the Happy Canyon set.
- **Homestead Youth & Family - \$7,000** in support of an updated outdoor play and recreation area.
- **Pendleton School District, McKay Elementary School - \$9,859** for the purchase of 29 magnetic white boards.
- **Pendleton School District, Sunridge Middle School - \$7,850** to replace weight benches and floor mats, and to purchase dumbbells for P.E. classes.
- **Pendleton FFA and Agriculture, Science Technology Program - \$10,000** to support updates to the Land Lab Barn.

The board also allocated **\$20,000** to the **Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 922** pending the approval of an amended proposal for a joint project with the City of Pendleton to secure the grills at Stillman Park, and **\$8,200** towards the establishment of an office for Pendleton Foundation Trust.

The following allocations were made of earned income from special memorial trust funds, which totals **\$1,720.35**:

- **\$795.15 - Parks and Playgrounds Fund** of the City of Pendleton;
- **\$36.30 - Roy Raley Memorial Fund** of the City of Pendleton;
- **\$275.60 - Kilkenny Fund** at Blue Mountain Community College Library;
- **\$115.61 - Donert Memorial Fund** at Pendleton Public Library;
- **\$225.71 - Jack Mulligan Memorial Fund** at Pendleton Public Library;
- **\$47.48 - Woodmen of the World Fund** at Pendleton Public Library;
- **\$224.50 - ANA Memorial Fund** at Pendleton Public Library.