

Pendleton class of '55

The Pendleton High School class of 1955 gathered for its 60th reunion July 18 at Hayden's Lake Front Grill in Tualatin.

Fond memories, old pictures and reminiscing made for a fun gathering for the group. The afternoon started with some classmates enjoying the play "Thoroughly Modern Millie," produced by Broadway Rose Theatre at the nearby Tigard High School. The role of "Millie" was performed by Claire Avakian, the granddaughter of classmate Dorothea (Hicks) Pattee.

Also, dinner was later enjoyed at Hayden's Lake Front Grill, as classmates continued their trip down Memory Lane.



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The Pendleton High School class of 1955 celebrated its 60th reunion July 18 at Hayden's Lake Front Grill in Tualatin. Pictured are, front: Bob Locke, Chester Warnock, Jay Zirkle, Carolyn Timmerman, Dorothea (Hicks) Pattee, Jean (Smith) Swank, Renee (Bird) Hellums and Virden Hellums. Back: Don Sievers, Keith Harris, Carol (Kerns) Flaherty, Leila (Beard) Heislein, Ken O'Neil, Andrea (Silk) Foley, Carlene (Inman) Kiel.

Mystery man returns wallet

I was so stunned I didn't get the man's name or even a good look at him. I gave him a measly \$20 reward for returning my wallet Sunday morning. I should back up and explain.

As reflected by my letter of 10/14, I am an Oregon Duck fan. I was somewhat engrossed by Saturday night's game against Stanford. I went to the store to get supplies at halftime and lost my wallet. The game was more important than my wallet (and the money in it) so I didn't start looking for it until the Ducks overcame a terrible pass interference call and sealed the 38-36 victory by stopping the Cardinal two-point conversion (what a game).

Sunday, my doorbell rings and there is this gentleman with my wallet and everything that was in it (including all my money) standing there. He handed me the wallet, I gave him \$20 and he left. I didn't get a chance to thank him, so I hope the EO gives me that chance.

I want to say one other thing. It was obvious from our brief conversation that he was from south of the Rio Grande River. The next time Donald Trump or some other moron complains that all Mexicans are criminals or deadbeats, remember my Good Samaritan. He was the most honest person I've met in a long time and by the brief glimpse I got of his vehicle, he's not living in the lap of luxury at taxpayer expense.

Thank you, sir.
Patrick J. Delaney
Hermiston

Head Start cashes in with Umpqua Bank grant

The Court-Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) program of Umatilla-Morrow Head Start recently received a \$5,000 grant from the Umpqua Bank Charitable Foundation.

Umpqua's support will help the Head Start program increase capacity for managing CASA volunteers. The trained and dedicated volunteers speak on behalf at-risk children in the courtroom. Representing the child's best interests, volunteers work to move children as seamlessly and efficiently through the legal process as possible, and into a safe and permanent home.

Umpqua's charitable efforts aren't managed by senior leadership or isolated within corporate headquarters. Instead, Umpqua allows its associates to make localized decisions about where Community Giving

grants are allocated in their communities.

In addition to the grant presented to UMCHS, the Umpqua Bank Charitable Foundation awarded grants ranging from \$2,000 to \$8,000 to 19 other Oregon organizations. The grants are awarded to nonprofit organizations focused on youth development and education, and economic opportunity.

"As a community bank we believe we have an obligation to invest in youth and education programs that are essential to the long-term economic health and development of the communities we do business in," said Nicole Stein, managing director of the Umpqua Bank Charitable Foundation.

For information about applying for a Community Giving grant, visit www.umpquabank.com/communitygiving.



Submitted photo

Students participate in Cup Stacking Day

Maryn Broker (left) Kayle Smith (center) and Sophie Nelson stack cups Thursday Nov. 11 at Lincoln School to celebrate National Cup Stacking Day.



Photo contributed by Darrick Cope

St. Anthony Hospital Respiratory Therapy Manager Sheila Ashbeck, third from left, and Director of Communications/Foundation Larry Blanc, far right, accept a donation from Griswold High School students Tegan Jackson, Bethany Newtonson and Bradey Cope.

Helix students donate to hospital cancer fund

The Griswold High School student body raised money for the Cancer Fund with the St. Anthony Hospital Foundation.

Bethany Newtonson and Bradey Cope presented a check for \$1,856.43 to Sheila Ashbeck, respiratory therapy manager, and Larry Blanc, director of

communications/foundation, Nov. 11 at the hospital in Pendleton.

The Helix students raised the money through a variety of projects.

Pendleton Foundation Trust fall awards

The board of directors of the Pendleton Foundation Trust announced Oct. 22 it awarded \$17,717.80 to Domestic Violence Services to purchase and install security gates at its Pendleton shelter.

The award was part of the organization's final grant allocations of 2015, which totaled \$84,110.46.

The other recipients and projects include:

•Pendleton Convention Center, \$10,188.32 for new audio/visual equipment for the seven new break-out rooms.

•Blue Mountain Community College Corrections Education Department, \$7,860 for technology equipment for two classrooms that offer

English as a second language, adult basic education, GED classes and college class offerings at Eastern Oregon Correctional Institution.

•Community Action Program of East Central Oregon, \$2,550 to purchase and install American Disabilities Act accessible door at the upstairs main door of the CAPECO office building.

•Pendleton Robotics, \$7,535.41 for two full robotics competition fields with four laptop computers to support new and existing teams.

•Clearview Mediation and Disability Resource, \$5,890.24 for a bariatric stretcher and a lift for loading for use with non-emergency patients. The use of the stretcher will be shared with the Pendleton Fire Department, as needed.

•Pendleton Babe Ruth League, Inc., \$4,095.49 for a professional level address system at Bob White Field.

•Lincoln Primary School, \$14,273.20 to buy 40 Chromebooks, which will cover each classroom and the Title One classroom.

•BMCC athletics department, \$14,000 toward the cost of field improvements and equipment to establish the new men's/women's soccer program.

The Pendleton Foundation Trust appreciates all contributions donated by individuals, organizations and estates. Gifts are tax-exempt.

For more information, call Jerri Bealer at 541-276-3331 or visit www.pendletonfoundationtrust.com.

BIRTHS

St. Anthony Hospital, Pendleton

NOV. 9, 2015

KOBASA — Brenda J. Garcia; a girl, Willow Louise Kobasa.

NOV. 11, 2015

BEDOLLA — Maira Bedolla of Pendleton; a boy, Jose Angel Bedolla.

EIESLAND — Haylie J. Sharp and Jordan W. Eiesland of Pendleton; a girl, Addilyn May Eiesland.

GARCIA GOTTFRIEDSON — Liza M. Garcia and Eliot J. Gottfriedson-Baker of Pendleton; a girl, Marceline Hope Garcia Gottfriedson.

YBARRA — Brendalyd Alferaz and Lazaro L. Ybarra of Pendleton; a girl, Leah Armida Ybarra.

NOV. 12, 2015

BRITTON — Melissa S. Cossitt and Cody L. Britton of Pendleton; a girl, Harper Lee-Anne Fay Britton.

NOV. 14, 2015

BURROWS — Trista C. Burrows and Gabriel L. Burrows of Pendleton; a boy, David Justice Lee Burrows.

NOV. 16, 2015

NELSON — Ellana J. Nelson of Pendleton; a girl, Adeline Rose Nelson.

Good Shepherd Medical Center, Hermiston

NOV. 11, 2015

KYLE — Sally Arquero Kyle and James C. Kyle of Hermiston; a girl, Jaymie Shayne Kyle.

PHIPPS — Kimberlee Lear and Hubert Phipps of Hermiston; a girl, Jordee Elizabeth Phipps.

NOV. 13, 2015

BITHER — Becky Bither and Harry Bither of Hermiston; a girl, Kierra Jo Bither.

Pet of the Week



2 Yr Old, Neutered Domestic Shorthair Tuxedo

I was found in the Hermiston area and brought to PAWS. Since then, I have been updated on all my vaccinations. I have four legs, as you can see, but only three of them has a foot attached. Don't let that deter you from wanting to come and get to know me. I am very loving and have no problems getting around to where I want to go-the lack of one foot definitely does not hinder me in any way! I would, however, like to be an inside best friend because of it. Come on down and let's get acquainted.

Visit Long John Silver at the Pioneer Humane Society/PAWS
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