

Pendleton Foundation Trust awards grants

The **Pendleton Foundation Trust** announced spring grants awarded totaled \$99,066.25 to 12 community organizations and seven memorial trust funds:

•**InterMountain Education Service District** School Based Oral Health Program, \$1,630 to provide four mini-dental labs for Pendleton elementary schools — McKay, Sherwood, Washington — and the Pendleton Early Learning Center.

•**Domestic Violence Services**, \$8,910.74 to replace the boiler system and radiator heat in the Pendleton Advocacy Center.

•**Pendleton Public Library**, \$17,412.15 to replace the carpet in the joint programming/children's area with flooring that muffles sound.

•**Pendleton School District**, \$13,099.91 to purchase 48 72" round tables and 160 chairs to accommodate school events.

•**Lost & Found Youth Outreach**, \$8,000 toward the purchase of five bicycles and a storage container for use at the new Pendleton Adventure Trail Recreation Area.

•**Umatilla County Historical Society**, \$10,000 toward replacing the roof at the Community Thrift Shop.

•**Pendleton Parks & Recreation**, \$5,000 toward funding an after-school program, targeted to start the fall of 2019.

•**Pendleton Pathfinders**, \$2,500 toward purchase of canvas tents for excursions.

•**Round-Up City Development Corporation, Inc.**, \$5,000 toward economic impact report/analysis for the Pendleton Unmanned Systems Range.

•**Happy Canyon Foundation**, \$20,000 toward materials to rebuild Happy Canyon infrastructure and repaint scenery.

•**Oregon Trail Manor, Inc.**, \$5,000 to purchase and install 4-5 walk-in showers for tenant rooms.

•**Sunridge Middle School** LifeSkills/Special

Education, \$1,062.56 to purchase a stove, kitchenware and supplies for the Functional Skills/Special Education Home Economics course.

The trust board also made the following allocations of earned income from special memorial trust funds, which totals \$1,450.89:

•**City of Pendleton: Parks and Playgrounds Fund**, \$670.60; **Roy Raley Memorial Fund**, \$30.61

•**Kilkenny Fund at Blue Mountain Community College Library**, \$232.43

•**Pendleton Public Library: Donert Memorial Fund**, \$97.50; **Jack Mulligan Memorial Fund**, \$190.36; **Woodmen of the World Fund**, \$40.05; **ANA Memorial Fund**, \$189.34.

An additional \$14,000 will be given in scholarship awards:

•**Ole Groupe FFA Memorial Scholarship Fund** for PHS FFA Chapter, for an FFA student to attend the national convention, \$1,000

•**Alan Wyland Memorial Scholarship Fund** provides a scholarship to benefit a PHS student with a preference to study music, which is also a memorial fund of the Pendleton Foundation Trust, \$1,000

•**Jiggs and Maxine Fisk scholarship award**, \$5,000

•**Pendleton Foundation Trust**, two awards of \$2,500 each.

•**University of Oregon Alumni Assoc. Let'er Duck Scholarship**, \$1,000

•**David Jon Lindberg Memorial Scholarship**, \$1,000

The foundation's chairperson is **David Blanc**; other board members include **Pat Terjeson**, **Kevin Hale**, **Jerrod Spriet**, **Lonnie Read**, **Marie Hall** and **Donna Biggerstaff**.

Gifts are tax-deductible and can be mailed to Pendleton Foundation Trust, P.O. Box 218, Pendleton, OR 97801. For questions, call secretary **Jerri Bealer** at 541-276-3331.

Dirt Dabblers reap what they sow

The **Dirt Dabblers Garden Club** recently awarded a pair of Educational Garden Scholarships.

The recipients include **Weston McEwen High School**, who received \$600. The money will be used to purchase a garden shed to store gardening tools. Also, the **Tower Garden at InterMountain Education Service District** received \$148 for gardening equipment.

The gardening enthusiasts meet monthly in Pendleton. In addition to sharing tips, Dirt Dabblers assist with the maintenance of the rose garden around the Vert Auditorium, hosts a yearly plant sale and provides support to several nonprofit organizations.

For more information about the garden club, contact **Joey Bechtel** at bjoey06@msn.com.



Photo contributed by Midge Harris

The "Deadwood" team of Ed Long, Jim Long, Jeri Jordan, DJ Tricker, and Dave Haven won The Arc fundraising bowling tournament with 1,688 pins. The April 20 event was held at Desert Lanes in Hermiston.

Fundraiser rolls strikes for The Arc

Strikes, spares and maybe even a few gutter balls helped provide needed funds to **The Arc Umatilla County**.

During an April 20 fundraiser, 60 bowlers gathered at **Desert Lanes Family Fun Center** in Hermiston — bringing in more than \$2,300 to The Arc.

With 12 five-person teams vying for top honors, the "Deadwood" team, which was sponsored by Desert Lanes, had the top

pin count with 1,688. Members of the winning team were **Ed Long, Jim Long, Jeri Jordan, DJ Tricker** and **Dave Haven**. Coming in second with a total of 1,602 pins was the "Hole in 1!" team. Sponsored by **Randy Sperr**, owner of Randy's Pro Shop at Echo Hills Golf Course, team members included **Mike Jeppson, Jeff Newton, Don Otto, Mike Botti** and **Mike Mayhead**. Rounding out the top three finish-

ers was "Jilli's Silly Bowlers," which included **Jilli Smalley, Mark Smalley, Lyall Arey, Anita Vernon** and **Cal Harris**.

The title sponsor for the fifth year was **Umatilla Electric Cooperative**. Prizes for the top teams were provided by **Kieztke Angus** and **Obie's Express**, and also baked goods made by **Kristi Smalley**, The Arc board member. In addition, a number of individuals and local businesses pro-

vided both team and lane sponsorships.

A nonprofit organization, The Arc Umatilla County advocates for the rights of children and adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. They focus on providing support, improving services, inspiring communities and influencing public policy. For more information about The Arc activities, call 541-567-7615 or visit www.facebook.com/arcofumatillacounty.

Hockey group surpasses goal with fundraiser

The students of **Pilot Rock Loves Hockey Group** would like to thank the following individuals or businesses for donating monetary or prizes to our Pop the Balloon fundraiser that we had at the Pilot Rock Junior/Senior High School.

We were able to surpass our goal of \$250. This event helps pay for the student's ticket to a **Tri-City Americans** hockey game that we take during the school year.

The students and the staff

who bought balloons were excited about the prizes they received. We want to thank you again for helping the students and making this fundraiser a huge success by donating prizes or monetary donations:

Shannon's Sweet Confections, **Mrs. Gillespie**, **Dawndi Johnson**, **Gayle Hoeft**, **Lyla Bensele**, **Mrs. Thieme**, **Miss Schuening**, **Pilot Rock Greenhouse**, **Sheila Holman**, **Mrs. Campbell**, **DG Gifts**, **Big**

John's Pizza, **Quizno's**, **Jack-In-The-Box**, **The Pilot Rock Leather's Class**, **Pendleton Round-Up Association**, **Domino's Pizza**, **Pendleton Parks & Recreation**, **Burger King**, **Buckin' Bean Coffee Roasters**, **Police Chief Caldera**, **Police Officer Badal** and **Police Officer Flatua**, **Pendleton Bottling Company**, **Zeigler's Transmission**, **Tim O'Hanlon**, **Hatley Construction**, **Eastern Oregon Waste Management**, **Wheatland Insur-**

ance, **Sam Byrnes**, **Mr. and Mrs. Larry Hoeft** and **Doherty Welding**.

A special thank you to the **Tri-City Americans** for donating four free tickets as our grand prize. The winner of the tickets was **Mrs. Clark**.

Once again, the students of Pilot Rock Loves Hockey Group says, "Thank you for your support."

Marion Schuening
Pilot Rock School District

S.U.R.E. thanks river cleanup volunteers

Thank you to the 102 volunteers — 68 adults and 34 youth — who helped clear more than 1,500 pounds of trash from the River Parkway and the banks of the Umatilla River in Pendleton on May 4!

Special thanks to **John Cook**, **Clifford Smith** and **Roger Rasico** of the **Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 922**, who staffed the grills for our barbecue lunch after the cleanup.

Food and beverages were donated by **Cash & Carry**, **Grocery Outlet**, **Walmart** and **Franz Bakery**. Walmart's Pendleton store also brought 35 volunteers to the event!

Special thanks to **Umatilla Basin Watershed Council** for their ongoing support.

Volunteers found plenty of Polar Pop cups, empty beer bottles, energy drink cans and cigarette butts.



Staff photo by Kathy Aney

Jorden and Carlos Ruiz volunteered for the May 4 river cleanup in Pendleton. The event was sponsored by **Stewards of the Umatilla River Environment (S.U.R.E.)**.

Other notable items included a pair of suspenders, a kid's bike frame, a toilet seat lid, a rice cooker, a bottle of women's body spray, an unopened can of tomato sauce and the head of a Worf action figure from "Star Trek: The Next Generation."

The **Stewards of the Umatilla River Environ-**

ment (S.U.R.E.) is an informal volunteer organization that supports the enhancement of the riparian environment along the parkway. We hold river cleanups at least once a year, which are great opportunities to meet new people and spend time along our beautiful river.

If your business or orga-

nization would like to sign up for the **Adopt-A-Parkway** program, to help keep the parkway clean year-round, give **Pendleton Parks & Recreation** a call at 541-276-8100.

Before the Adopt-A-Parkway program began, **S.U.R.E.** volunteers — then led by **Betty Klepper** — would remove over 2,000 pounds of trash from the riverbanks in a single morning.

If you would like to receive emails about future **S.U.R.E.** clean up events, please email kbbrown@eastoregonian.com to be added to our email list, or follow @Stewards of the Umatilla River Environment-SURE on Facebook.

Kathryn B. Brown, **East Oregonian**
Michael Ward, **Umatilla Basin Watershed Council Organizers**, **Stewards of the Umatilla River Environment**

ANNIVERSARIES

Herald and Jean Echols

Col. Herald and Jeanne (Pentecost) Echols of Hermiston are celebrating their 74th wedding anniversary May 20, 2019.

The couple married May 20, 1945, in Santa Ana, California. Herald served in the U.S. Army for 22 years, and was commander at the Umatilla Army Depot from 1972-73.

Herald and Jeanne have five children: **Kristin Adams**, Lake-side, Ore.; **Kurt Echols**, Anchorage, Alaska; **Mark Echols**, Houston, Texas; **Jennifer Diallo**, Portland, Ore.; and **Scot Echols**, Hermiston, Ore. They also have 20 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.



Herald and Jeanne Echols in 1945.

BIRTHS

St. Anthony Hospital, Pendleton
MAY 8, 2019

MATHENY — Chelsea Matheny and Stefan Matheny of Lexington: a girl, Wells Beverly Matheny.

MAY 11, 2019

WOLFER — Tiffany M. Wolfer and Michael J. Wolfer of Pendleton: a girl, Aariana Marie Michelle Wolfer.

Good Shepherd Medical Center, Hermiston
MAY 10, 2019

SAMPSON — Chasidy N. Sampson and Clarence A. Sampson of Pendleton: a girl, Athena Nichole Jolyn Sampson.

MAY 13, 2019

PUZEY — Katlinne G.N. Puzey and Dallin R. Puzey of Hermiston: a girl, Emma Ryan Puzey.

Pet of the Week

Sage is a 1 yr old female Terrier/Chihuahua who is very sweet, eager to please. Loves all ages of people, does not mind other dogs/cats. Likes to go for walks, car rides, and relax on a lap. If your looking for a small dog with a BIG PERSONALITY Sage is the little one for you.

224 Pets Adopted in 2019!



Visit Sage at the **Pioneer Humane Society/Paws**
Tues - Sat • Noon - 4pm
517 SE 3rd ST, Pendleton
541-276-0181
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SAGE

