

PEO scholarships help local women achieve their chosen futures

A major function of the P.E.O. Sisterhood is that of supporting young women in college. A.P.E.O. Scholarship is awarded each year to a graduating senior from Vernonia High, and other grants and low-interest loans are provided to help women continue their education. An increasing number of young women from this area are supported and encouraged by P.E.O.

The following are some of these girls who are furthering their education and preparing for their careers:

Kristina Hanson was the 1999 recipient of the P.E.O. scholarship, and is now in her sophomore year at Mt. Hood Community College. Following graduation from Vernonia High, Kristina's family moved to Corbett, so she is able to live at home and commute to college. At the end of this school year, she will transfer to Portland State University to complete her degree in Psychology. Her goal is to continue on for her master's degree. Kristina keeps a busy schedule of studies, part-time work, and her favorite pastime, running.



Kirsten Hyde, the most recent winner, is now attending Cascade Christian in Portland. Her career goal is in nursing, where she is leaning toward neonatal specialty, possibly transferring to OHSU after two years at Cascade. Kirsten is enjoying college life, and has joined a student organization that focuses on community service work. She will also be turning out for basketball.



Jessica Stacklie is in her junior year, and is now studying at Linn-Benton Community College in Albany, in order to qualify for the nursing program at Oregon State. Her career goal is slanted toward either Obstetrics and Gynecology or Operating Room nursing. Jamie was the 1998 P.E.O. scholarship winner.



Jamie Stacklie Solberg is in the Master's program at the University of Oregon, studying Accounting. This is an exciting time for her. In addition to her studies, she is in a second round of job interviews, and is very encouraged about her future. Jamie was married this summer to Chris Solberg, and they live in Eugene.



Tandle Cox is our newest "success story". Having completed her Master's degree in Education last June, she is now at Scappoose Middle School, where she is teaching seventh grade math and eighth grade Social Studies. In addition to her classroom work, she has been named volleyball coach, and is in charge of the school's anti-drug program. Tandle is very excited about teaching. "I am looking forward to many years in the field of education," she says, "I believe I have found my calling."



Molly Skidmore was award-

ed a B.S. degree in Music last June, and is now working toward her Master's in Music Education at the University of Oregon. Her goal is to become a band instructor. Her schedule calls for practice teaching in the morning, classes in the afternoon and a part-time job in the evenings!



Casey Weller was the Ida Lloyd Scholarship winner this year. This is a new scholarship awarded and administered by the P.E.O. Sisterhood in St.

Helens. It is open to graduating senior women throughout Columbia County. The local chapter submitted Casey's application, and she was named the scholarship winner! She is in her first year of college, and attends Linn-Benton Community College with a "dual enrollment" at Oregon State University. Because of this arrangement, while she is a Linn-Benton student,



she actually lives and attends

classes on the OSU campus. Casey is undecided as to what she wants to focus on, and has not yet declared a major course of study. She is doing well in her studies and hopes to play intramural volleyball next quarter.

P.E.O. is very proud of these young women and considers it a privilege to help support and encourage them as they continue their studies. P.E.O. raises scholarship funds in several ways, the most important of which is selling Christmas wreaths at the annual Vernonia Christmas Bazaar. To order, or for information about the wreaths, call Judi Gwin at 429-4310, or Diane Waltrip, 429-9001.

Kingston Trio schedules performance in Longview

The Kingston Trio will perform at the Columbia Theatre for the Performing Arts in Longview, Wash., on Saturday, November 18 at 7:30 p.m. Their trademark three-part harmonies, acoustic music and simple, yet memorable, lyrics keep audiences coming back for more.

During the late fifties and early sixties, they enjoyed unprecedented record sales and worldwide fame, while paving the way for the folk revival that followed. The Kingston Trio ruled the pop charts, placing 14 albums in Billboard Magazine's Top 10. Their big hit in 1958, "Tom Dooley," propelled them from college campus favorites to international celebrities. They won two Grammys and numerous gold records with the clean, crisp sound that still attracts fans of all ages, worldwide. Their repertoire includes old favorites such as "Greenback Dollar" and "The M.T.A.," along with new songs.

Trio members have changed over the years, but founding member Bob Shane remains, joined by Bob Haworth and George Grove. They tour 35 weeks a year, making about 20 major symphony performances as well. "All the people want is

for us to sing a song, tell a story and make it good," Shane said. The Kingston Trio have been doing that since 1957.

Ticket prices range from \$19 to \$34 with discounts for seniors and students. For reservations, call (360) 575-8499 or

(888) 423-TIXX. The ticket office, at 1538 Commerce, is open 12:30 to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and 12:30 to curtain on performance days.

For more information, log in to www.kalama.com/~ctheatre.

Chamber singers set performance

The Department of Music at Pacific University will present the Pacific Chamber Singers Autumn Concert on Friday, November 17 at 7:30 p.m. The concert will be held in McCready Hall of the Taylor-Meade Performing Arts Center on the Pacific University campus.

The program will open with an African gathering song, Mungu ni Pendo, and continue with Gloria by Stephen Chatman, and O Magnum Mysterium by Sally Herman. The centerpiece work of the concert is the Missa Brevis Sancti Johannis de Deo by Joseph Haydn, featuring a soprano solo sung by Marie Lester. After a pause,

the Chamber Singers will return to perform three pieces by Los Angeles-based composer Neil Ginsberg; and the concert will conclude with a setting of Sanskrit mantra titled Gate Gate.

The Chamber Singers are directed by Dr. George Harshbarger, accompanied by Joe Green and assisted on flute by Rachel Swoboda.

Admission is \$4 general and \$2 for students and senior citizens. Tickets can be purchased at the door or by calling the Pacific University Box Office at 503-359-2918. The Box Office is open Monday through Friday, 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

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