

**PENDLETON FOUNDATION TRUST GIVES \$215,000
IN GRANTS, MEMORIAL FUNDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS IN 2008**

FOR RELEASE ON October, 2008

The Board of Directors of the Pendleton Foundation Trust today announced that **grants, memorial trust funds and scholarships given in 2008 totaled \$215,000.00.**

The seven-member Board of Directors recently met to consider applications at its semi-annual meeting for the *final allocation of grants this year*, reported John G. McBee, Chairperson. The Pendleton Foundation Trust uses the earnings from money donated to the trust by individuals, organizations and estates for its semi-annual grant allocations.

The board has awarded fall grants in the amount of \$90,183.00 to the following recipients:

* **Pendleton Round-Up Association - \$10,000.00** toward the Centennial Plaza fence project.

* **Happy Canyon Co, Inc. - \$10,000.00** toward the new arena roof project.

* **City of Pendleton, Fire and Ambulance - \$14,952.00** to purchase an Auto-Pulse Non-invasive Cardiac Support Pump for placement in the second City ambulance. The first Auto-Pulse was purchased earlier this spring for the first City ambulance.

* **Pendleton Chamber of Commerce - \$7,272.00** to purchase one wireless electronic scoreboard for the Pendleton Convention Center. The new scoreboard will service basketball, volleyball and wrestling events.

* **Pendleton Senior Center - \$1,479.00** to purchase a new copier, refrigerator and storm door for the Senior Center.

* **Pendleton School District - Strings Program - \$1,795.00** to purchase an Engelhardt

bass for the Pendleton High School Strings program. The Pendleton strings program serves over 150 string students each year, and combined with the efforts of the youth orchestra program through the Oregon East Symphony, represents an exemplary string education program for our community.

* **Pendleton High School - \$10,000.00** toward the high school track resurfacing project.

* **Pendleton High School Rhythmic Mode Dance Team - \$2,000.00** toward the construction of new, weather resistant, perpetual signs for placement at the city entrances and near Pendleton High School.

* **Sunridge Middle School/Outdoor School - \$750.00** to purchase equipment for the 6th grade outdoor school including sleeping cots, coleman lanterns and shade canopies.

***Lincoln Primary School - \$3,967.00** to purchase and install a reader board at the corner of NW 10th and Carden Ave. to provide educational and civic notices to the community.

* **Sherwood Elementary School - \$1,850.00** to purchase 100 folding chairs.

* **Blue Mountain Community College - \$6,000.00** as a match grant toward the purchase of aluminum bleachers for the BMCC softball field.

* **Pendleton Little League - \$9,092.00** to purchase aluminum bleachers to complete the softball field #3 project.

* **Buckaroo Youth Football - \$1,950.00** to purchase new helmets for two teams.

* **Pendleton Ice Sports Booster Association - \$945.00** to purchase a portable ice resurfacer, eight protective gear combo packages and 8 pairs of ice hockey pants which will service two teams to play ice hockey at the Pendleton ice rink.

***Pioneer Relief Nursery - \$2, 381.00** to purchase a new copy machine, and tricycles and

helmets for toddlers.

* **Lost & Found Youth Outreach - \$2,200.00** to purchase equipment and protective gear for the youth outreach program in Pendleton.

* **Pet Utopia's Cat Companions Adoption Center - \$2,400.00** to purchase isolation cages for the isolation room.

* **Girl Scout Troop #1431 - \$150.00** to purchase Brownie Quest books and award patches for the 2nd and 3rd grade girl scouts in Pendleton.

* **Christmas Carriage Parade & Festival - \$1,000.00** to fund the parade programs, posters and event promotion for the Pendleton Christmas event.

The Trust Board of Directors also announced that memorial gifts and contributions were received by the Trust from May 2008 through October, 2008, from individuals and civic organizations in memory of the following persons: Jack Howland,, Tom Tullis, Jeanne Hampton, Larry Hughes, Don Mason, Scott Hancock, Shirley Bonner, Fred Westersund, John Storie, Mike Jackson, Kenda Shutze and Clinton Shutze, Ruby Jellum and Jay Graybeal.

A gift to the Pendleton Foundation Trust is a tax-exempt contribution and may be mailed to the Pendleton Foundation Trust, P.O. Box 218, Pendleton, Oregon 97801.

Board members in addition to Dr. John McBee are Ron Hughes , Ken Jackson, Renee Bishop, Don Cook, Pat Terjeson and Kevin Hale. Jerri Bealer serves as secretary to the Pendleton Foundation Trust and can be reached at 276-3331.

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