



Trout Lake Community Foundation

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Looking Back, Looking Forward

In 1999, a few Trout Lake residents came together with the goal of making a difference in the lives of local high school students and community members. They shared a common belief that every Trout Lake Student who wanted to pursue a post-secondary education should be able to do so. This group established the Trout Lake Community Foundation and today most of the original members are still serving on the Foundation Board. The Foundation's primary objective was, and continues to be, providing scholarships to local students for post secondary education and career training.

In its first year, the Foundation asked the community for contributions, held a few small fundraisers and awarded \$1,000 in scholarship monies. From these modest beginnings, the Foundation's efforts have raised over \$76,000 for the scholarship capital fund. We are pleased to have accomplished so much during our first five years. More importantly, the Foundation has awarded nearly \$27,000 in scholarships to local students from its own funds, Washington State matching funds, and with the generous assistance of its Community partners. The Foundation's tremendous success is even more impressive when one considers that nearly all of the money has been raised through penny drives, auctions, rummage sales and generous monetary contributions from community members, teachers and alumni. This success is a tribute to the valley's commitment to its young people and its continued support of the Foundation and its goals.

Now, as the Foundation looks forward, the future seems bright. Our school is doing wonderful things to prepare students for the challenges of the world beyond Trout Lake, and Foundation assistance helps with the cost of meeting these challenges. Scholarship awards have already made a real difference to many of our youth and their achievements are remarkable. While we as a Foundation have achieved much, there is so much more to accomplish. *Looking forward, our goal is to provide scholarship assistance to every student who pursues further education.* Given the generous support shown by the Trout Lake Community, this goal seems attainable. We are honored by your commitment to our goals. The Foundation thanks you. The students thank you.

Hats Off to the Mt. Adams Riders (a.k.a. the Magnificent Seven!)



If you live in the Trout Lake valley, then you've probably heard of the Mt. Adams Riders... a small equestrian group: seven women and their horses, riding the trails, enjoying the beauty of our area. There's nothing too fancy about this group, nothing very structured. No monthly meetings, no officers, no board members. Zoe Wood, Betty Transtrom, Chris Neilsen, Leslie Wallace, Lorraine Greenlee, Wendy Schmid and Stephanie Irving make up the Riders group. We feel their accomplishments are nothing less than amazing.

Each year during the month of June, the Mt Adams Riders host an impressive endurance ride, partnering with the Pacific Northwest Endurance Riders (Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Canada) and the American Endurance Riders Confederation (a national association). This past summer, the Riders hosted the "granddaddy" of all endurance rides, the North American Championship. Our community enjoyed this international event, which drew riders and horses from countries near and afar. The ride was a huge success, so huge that when all was said and done, the group found themselves with "leftover" funds. We were surprised and thrilled to hear of the Riders' intent to donate this surplus to the Foundation... a whopping \$3000 donation! Three Trout Lake students benefited from their generosity.

Thanks again to these Magnificent Seven riders. And happy trails to you!

2004 Scholarship Recipients



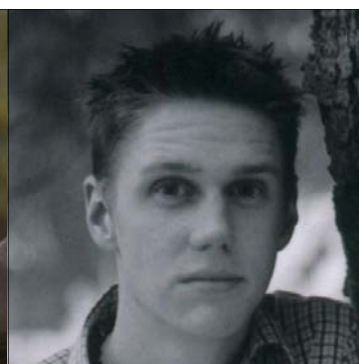
Stephanie Bennett

University of Portland
Nursing
Trout Lake Farm Scholarship
\$3,000



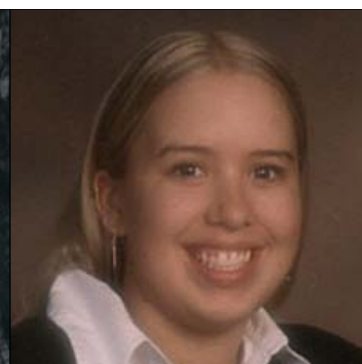
Greta Doede

Western Baptist College
Elementary Education
Mt Adams Riders Scholarship
\$1,000



Michael Hansen

Brigham Young University
Pre-Med
Mt Adams Riders Scholarship
\$1,000



Shanna Holtman

Clark College
Accounting
WA State Matching Grant
\$2,000



Jennings Long

C.G. Community College
General Education
Mt Adams Riders Scholarship
\$1,000



Sierra Long

Central Washington University
Music
Trout Lake Farm Scholarship
\$3,000



Brock Wood

Washington State University
Business Administration
T. L. Community Foundation
\$2,000

2003 Scholarship Recipients

Marcaila Byerton: Trout Lake Community Foundation Scholarship \$1,000
Mark Miller: Trout Lake Farm Scholarship \$2,500
Brittany Tilton: Trout Lake Community Foundation Scholarship \$1,000
Brandon Woodruff: Trout Lake Farm Scholarship \$2,500

2002 Scholarship Recipients

Joanna Smith: Trout Lake Farm Scholarship \$2,000
Linda Whigham: Trout Lake Community Foundation Scholarship \$1,000

2001 Scholarship Recipients

Jay Beeks: Trout Lake Community Foundation Scholarship \$650
Sarah Black: Post Graduate Scholarship \$500
Erika Padilla: Bi-Lingual Scholarship \$500
Michael Sanford: Trout Lake Farm Scholarship \$2,000
Jamie Schmid: Agricultural Scholarship \$200

2000 Scholarship Recipients

Keith Whigham: Trout Lake Community Foundation Scholarship \$500
Erika Padilla: Bi-Lingual Scholarship \$500

Fundraising: It's not just a job it's an adventure!

The success of our fund-raising events is a direct result of the partnership between the goals of the Trout Lake Community Foundation and community support. We are pleased to report that 2004 has been both an exciting and record setting year in our fund-raising events.

Our fund-raising season began with the 2004 Penny Drive, kicking off on Lincoln's Birthday. Thanks to the generosity of local merchants who made a home for our penny jars on their counters and the community contributions that filled them to the brim we raised \$1,106.47!

There was something for everyone at the Community Foundation's Silent Auction, held at the 2004 Trout Lake Fair. Twenty nine lucky bidders took home treasures donated by local artisans, businesses, and community members. \$3,450.00 was raised by this event. Thanks to contributors and bidders alike.

Labor Day weekend was once again filled with bargains and bargain hunters at the annual Foundation Rummage Sale. Proceeds from this event totaled \$7,500.00. The success of this event is due, in no small part, to the many volunteers and the astonishing number of hours they spend helping with the never ending list of tasks. Their support is invaluable and they deserve many pats on the back. Especially for our "Volunteers of the Year" Roger and Connie Black!

The Foundation thanks everyone in our community for their incredible support. This community backing of our goals shows in the outpouring of support for each of our fund-raising efforts. We hope the smiles of scholarship recipients reflect back on your efforts. Earnings from this year's events have been invested along with those of prior year's functions to provide future scholarship awards.



Community Foundation Calendar of Events

Penny Drive: Held during the spring months - save your pennies.

Silent Auction: Traditionally held during the first weekend in August.

Rummage Sale: Mark your calendar for our Labor Day Weekend event.

What's New: Watch for news of exciting new events.

You can make a difference. Come and join us!

Five successful years have given The Trout Lake Community Foundation a firm platform from which to grow. Our forward reaching goals are attainable with continued hard work by the board but we can't do it alone. As each of our fundraisers becomes more successful there is a continuing need for the help provided by volunteers and increased membership.

Trout Lake is bursting with creative people who have talents and skills to share. Please consider sharing them with us. The personal satisfaction of knowing that your efforts will help our students achieve their goals is very rewarding

We invite you to join us at our Board meetings. They are scheduled on the third Thursday of each month in the Community Room located at the Trout Lake School. Come join us. We have some fun and exciting ideas on the drawing board as well as room for new perspectives. See you there!

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