



Trout Lake Community Foundation

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Fall 2005

“It Takes A Community ...”

In recent years everyone has become familiar with variations of the African proverb that states, “It takes a village to raise a child.” The proverb may have been overused but the basic concept of interdependence and mutual assistance has value. Simply stated; we need one another to support and assist us in the difficult, complex and important tasks of life. In our work at the Trout Lake Community Foundation, we have observed the best aspects of this proverb in our community. From the local business support of our Penny Drive and Silent Auction to individuals who have given time and energy to make our fundraising activities a success beyond our wildest dreams, our “village” takes an active roll.

A great example is seen each year during our annual rummage sale. This event brings together the entire community over the course of a year. Countless community members bring in donations that are painstakingly organized, priced, mended, cleaned and readied for the sale. As the Labor Day Weekend approaches, others become involved in setting up, staffing, and assist in conducting the three day sale. This summer’s sale brought in an amazing \$10,000.00 in an event that has become not only a fixture in Trout Lake but famous throughout the Gorge.

It is important to note that monies we raise during the year are reinvested in our community as scholarships given to local students. In this way, our “village” works together to help our children pursue an education that is critical to their success. We firmly believe that scholarships are instrumental in reducing the financial burden of an education and provide the encouragement students need to begin their educational journey. With this pursuit we hope to create a culture within our community where success through advanced education becomes the norm. The dividends of our hard work will not only enrich the lives of individual students but those of the entire community.

Thank you everyone for your continuing support of our important mission.

Notes From our Student Volunteer

Rachel Griffith

I started volunteering for the Community Foundation during my junior year in high school. I wasn’t sure what kind of work I would be doing but I soon found out that I made a good decision. Within my first meeting it was evident that this group was really in this for the community. The whole gang has taught me selflessness, hard work, and kindness. What they are doing for Trout Lake’s children is not getting the recognition it deserves. I was lucky enough to be a part of their cause and to receive one of their scholarships. Now I am living in Walla Walla, WA attending Walla Walla Community College. I am studying to receive my AA in Agri-business. Thanks guys!



Collectibles as Fundraisers

These antique German Beer Steins were a welcome donation

from Board member Bettina McCuiston. They were beautiful and valuable but how could we turn them into a fundraiser? Erin Walsborn and her Ebay expertise came to our rescue. After researching each stein they were placed for auction and brought in a total of \$732.95. Since our first success other valuable items have been donated and we will be researching the most profitable way to sell them. Take a look around your homes for items that you no longer want but are too valuable for the rummage sale. Who knows what may turn out to be a beneficial donation to the Community Foundation scholarship fund.

The Power of a Penny

A few pennies, jingling in your pocket or cluttering your dresser top, may not seem worth much. But when these pennies join forces with thousands of others, collected during our annual Foundation Penny Drive, they indeed become a powerful force. They become a scholarship.

Beginning in 2005 the spare change you dropped into our collection jars became the "Pennies for Scholars" scholarship. Going forward, the total collected each year will be directly awarded, as a scholarship, to a deserving Trout Lake student. Your generosity can and does make a difference just ask this year's recipient Matt Dearden how powerful a penny can be.

The Hard Work and Rewards of Fundraising

As our many volunteers know, fundraising for the Community Foundation is both hard work, and lots of fun. Tent raising is but one of the time-consuming tasks of setting up the rummage sale but with collective memory and a good set of directions everything comes together. After the tons of sale items are placed in their short term home the fun begins. From the moment the sale begins until the final cleanup hundreds of folks come looking for bargains and treasures. Those same folks leave with bags & boxes of wonderful goodies and the funds earned in the process help fund educational goals.



Just a minute, let me check the directions....

OK, I think we have it figured out now.....



The 2005 Silent Auction was held during the annual Trout Lake Fair. Crafts, artwork, rafting, astronomy, dining - a great selection to choose from. Folks stopped by to bid on their favorites and checked in often to make sure their offer remained as highest bid. Many thanks to local businesses and craftspeople for their donations.



As Ben Franklin said "A penny saved is a penny earned". He probably didn't think in terms of the 110,117 pennies collected this year during the 2005 Pennies for Scholars annual penny drive. The collected effort proves we do save our coins. You could even say we lightened our community by 551.81 lbs (the weight of 110,117 pennies) for a great cause.

2005 Financial Information

Income	
Contributions	6,556
Ebay Auction	733
Administered Funds	13,500
Interest	1,142
Memorials	1,030
Fundraisers	<u>12,759</u>
Total Income	<u>35,721</u>
Expenses	
Fees & office expense	175
Postage & printing	487
Scholarships - 2005	<u>16,000</u>
Total Expenses	<u>16,662</u>
Net invested income - 2005	<u>19,059</u>
Total invested income:	\$67,000



<p>Matt Dearden Cedarville University Pennies for Scholars \$1,000</p>	<p>Rachel Griffith Walla Walla CC Trout Lake Farm \$3,000 TL Community Club \$500</p>	<p>Kris Huffsmith Columbia CC Trout Lake Farm \$3,000</p>	<p>David Kavanaugh Central Washington University Trout Lake Community Foundation \$1,000</p>	<p>Tony Leslie Central Washington University Trout Lake Farm \$2,000</p>
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<p>Adam Paxson Massachusetts Institute of Technology Trout Lake Community Foundation \$1,000</p>	<p>Linnea Schmid University of Washington Mt Adams Riders \$1,000</p>	<p>Courtney Smith Linfield College Trout Lake Community Foundation \$1,000</p>	<p>David Smith Portland State University Trout Lake Community Foundation \$500</p>	<p>Ben Steward Washington State University Trout Lake Community Foundation \$1,000</p>
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Our 2005 Scholarship Recipients

2004 Scholarship Recipients

Stephanie Bennett	Greta Doede	Michael Hanson	Shanna Holtman
Jennings Long	Sierra Long	Brock Wood	

2003 Scholarship Recipients

Marcaila Byerton:	Mark Miller	Brittany Tilton	Brandon Woodruff
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2002 Scholarship Recipients

Joanna Smith	Linda Whigham
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2001 Scholarship Recipients

Jay Beeks	Sarah Black:	Erika Padilla	Michael Sanford
Jamie Schmid			

2000 Scholarship Recipients

Keith Whigham	Erika Padilla
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TROUT LAKE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION**

Please accept my donation in the enclosed amount of \$_____

Tax deductible checks should be made payable to the Trout Lake Community Foundation.

I would like to discuss a planned gift or pledge. Please contact me.

I am happy to volunteer my time and talent! Let me know how I may be of help.

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The Foundation welcomes our new student volunteer. We look forward to working with Brandi. Her enthusiasm and energy will definitely add to our group.

Brandi Reynoso
Trout Lake High
School Junior



Trout Lake High School baseball team & TLCF members relax after a hard day of cemetery cleanup.

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 and bring your creative talents. New ideas are always welcome. See you there!

For more information contact: Coralee Warner 395-2218, Kathy White 395-2585, or Martha Hylton 395-2843



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