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Spring 2006

Dear Friends and Supporters,

As the 2006 school year draws toward a close we need to maintain continued involvement for our youth. We are writing to ask you for your support of the Touchet Educational Foundation in our scholarship campaign.

After 3 years, the Touchet Educational Foundation is proud to be widely recognized as a trusted community resource. We have learned how to use a small number of volunteer staff to spark a big impact for young people, and we know that one reason for this is the way we act as a bridge, bringing together community members and youth to create connections which enrich us all.

These connections support graduating seniors in making healthy choices, expressing and valuing themselves, and learning how they can enhance the lives of others.

Community support is the backbone of our work. In a very real way, the Touchet Educational Foundation is a voice of the community, expressing what we all want to see made available for our youth. Each year the Touchet students are offered new directions and opportunities.

Why? Because you care and you have chosen to support this work. Because we know that Touchet can leave youth feeling isolated at times, and that extra support can mean the difference between joyful outcomes and tragic outcomes for our young people.

Donations received from the local community are more critical than ever before. Your donation will help sustain our valuable work with young people. No donation is ever too large or too small.

Please give as generously as you can and remember that every dollar helps!

Our goal this 2005–2006 year is to raise \$20,000.00. We are very grateful for your support and the opportunity to work together to benefit the youth of Touchet.

In the spirit of the community,
Touchet Educational Foundation Board of Directors, volunteers and senior classes—past and present



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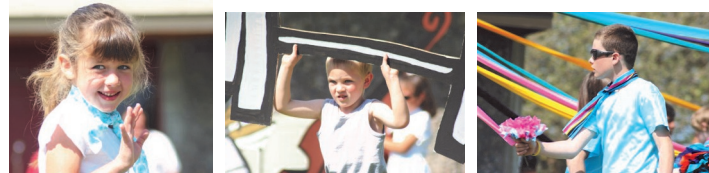
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Mission Statement
To provide financial support for Touchet students in pursuit of Educational opportunities, and to encourage community support for higher education.

CLASS NOTES

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Kylie Durfee ('04) is a sophomore at Eastern Washington University. During breaks she works for Walla Walla County as a flagger for the road crew.

IN MEMORIAM

Nellie Short
1932-2005
1920s
Vern Colwell ('23)
1940s
Cecil Watson ('40)


Zelma Carlson ('46)

Duane Dodd ('47)
1950s
Nancy Jean (Jones) Bell ('54)
1970s
Otto Garbe ('79)

1980s

Brian Weber ('83)






TOUCHET EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

TRACKING THE INDIANS

The Touchet Educational Foundation will feature you!
Just fill out the information below and we'll publish it in our newsletter.

Name: _____ Year Of Graduation: _____
(please include your maiden name)

Finally get a job? Write a best seller? A new baby in the family? Let your fellow Indians know!



TOUCHET EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

YES! I want to help support Touchet students.

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Please direct my contribution to the following area:

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_____ Memorial
In Memory of: _____
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Make checks payable to the Touchet Educational Foundation and mail this card to:

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CATHY SCHAEFFER

Cathy Schaeffer (class of 1987) first wrote of her future in Mr. Joe Jansen's Touchet School fifth grade class daily 'Log Books' describing her desire to someday attend Washington State University (WSU). After graduating from Walla Walla Community College (WWCC), Cathy followed her fifth-grade aspiration to WSU and earned a Master's degree in agricultural economics. Living throughout Washington state in the years that followed, she worked in private and public accounting, plus several years conducting economic research studies for WSU.

Over the past four years, Cathy's role as the Watershed Planning Director for Walla Walla County has been to lead local governments and citizens working together with environmental groups and Tribes in an effort to balance the use of water resources for agriculture, endangered salmon species, and community growth. "It's really a remarkable opportunity for local people to come together to solve their water resource problems. But it's not an easy process and we are working hard to keep our decision-making locally-based, as opposed to waging legal battles in the court system like those in the Klamath Basin of Oregon." Cathy was among the group invited to the 2005 White House Conference on Cooperative Conservation to present "The Walla Walla Way: Water Without War" describing the success of local partnerships. Her work also includes serving as a Board member on the Snake River Salmon Recovery Board and as a Steering Committee member for the new WWCC Water and Environmental Studies Center.

Cathy's son, Jacob, is a first-grader at Touchet School and she's pleased that he gets to enjoy his grandma's cooking (Shirley Schaeffer, class of 1965) in the school cafeteria. "My grandmother, Josephine Anderson (class of 1939), was a school cook during my years at Touchet. So I think it's great that Jacob eats lunch everyday with his grandma, just like I did." Cathy and Jacob recently traveled to Mexico with friends and are looking forward to another year of little league baseball, along with various church and family activities.



CLASS NOTES

1990s

Jennifer Petersen ('94) is living with and taking care of her 89 year old grandfather. Jennifer just received her CNA in December 2005.

Ginger Gatewood Lomeli ('97) and husband Alfredo Lomeli Jr ('99) have two boys, Isaiah 6 years and Hayden 18 months. Ginger owns Scrapbook Elements in Walla Walla and Alfredo is employed at the Penitentiary.

Beau Gosney ('97) graduated from the University of Idaho in 2004. He lives in Boise Idaho and works for CSHQA as a civil engineer.

Neal Renwick ('97) is serving in the USMC at Camp Pendleton. CA.

2000s

Heather Hudson ('02) is a CNA. She has been with her fiancé (Sunny) for 2 years - who is a body/paint mechanic. They had their first child in February 2006.

Lincoln Short ('02) is working at Walla Walla Grain Growers as a manager in the seed plant. He will also be finishing up his Ag- Business degree this spring.

Tobias Slater ('02) has returned to school to obtain a paramedic certificate along with his Bachelor of Science degree.

Heidi Nolan ('02) is finishing her last year at PBU.

Carrie Plucker ('02) is attending WSU and majoring in Communications. She is working for the Daily Evergreen writing book reviews.

Dana Grieb ('03) and Steven Hudson ('03) will be married on May 7, 2006. Dana works at Home Depot and Steve is the manager for Subway in Touchet. They live in Walla Walla.

Jake Lundberg ('04) is serving in the US Army 82nd Airborne at Fort Bragg, NC. He married Nikki of Fayetteville, NC on January 2, 2006.

Jonathan Ingham ('04) is a sophomore at WAZZU! He is double majoring in Political Science and Business.

Sheri Nolan ('04) is attending OIT (Oregon Institute of Technology) in the pre-medical imaging program. In the spring she will apply to the Radiological Sciences program.

Mindy Nolan ('04) is attending Eastern Washington University majoring in Exercise Science. She plans on getting a Masters Degree in Occupational Therapy.

LETTERS & ANNOUNCEMENTS



Dear Dave,

I've enclosed a check for the Touchet Educational Foundation. This is to be awarded to a 2006 Touchet High School graduate in the memory of my wife, Nancy Jean Jones, Salutatorian, Class of 1954. Thank you again for everything you've done for me over the past several months. Also, would you please see that I continue receiving copies of the Tribal Times.

Nancy was proud to be a Touchet Indian!

Sincerely, Rex Bell

Principal, Larry Smith retires

Larry Smith is retiring as Touchet principal at the end of the 2005-2006 school year. He has worked in the education profession for thirty eight years, having spent the last 5 years in Touchet. He has recently married long time friend Patsy Lee. They will live in Wenatchee, and hope to spend a lot of time traveling, and visiting their children and 6 grandchildren.

Mr. Smith has enjoyed his time at Touchet. He loves the closeness and friendships of a small school, and the rural lifestyle. He has also liked working with kids again, instead of mostly adults like he has for many years in a principal position before coming to Touchet.

Happy retirement, Mr.. Smith!!



Dear Touchet,

This donation is in memory of my son Duane Dodd. Duane attended the Touchet School for all twelve years from 1935 to 1947 and was very active in all the sports. He was a left handed pitcher for the baseball team. He was also a veteran of the Korean war, having served in the Calvary Unit in the Mortar Division. He was a good son and I will miss him.

Sincerely, Naomi Dodd



THE CLASS OF 2006 THANKS YOU



And the winner is... Jackie Helm, 2nd grade teacher at Touchet School.

\$325 was raised which will be added to the scholarship fund.

This was a great idea made especially by Jenise Gluck Doty. If you have a donation item to auction to benefit the 2007 scholarship fund, please contact a Board member. This is a fun way to support Touchet's local youth!

“Not to be taken hastily”, states Shelley Perkins, Touchet School Student Development Coordinator

The Running Start Program at Walla Walla Community College offers eligible high school juniors and seniors an opportunity to attend college courses and earn college credits, tuition-free, while completing high school graduation requirements. The program is designed for students who: Want to take professional-technical, advanced or special-interest courses that are not available at their high school; Are planning to go to on to college and want to get an early start on working toward a college degree; Want to be challenged and are ready for college-level studies; want to take courses that will provide both high school and college credits.

This program is an excellent opportunity for the right person. A dedicated student beginning in the fall of their Junior year can complete their Associates degree and receive their high school diploma at the end of their senior year. This year senior, Jennifer Brown will be the first student from Touchet to do just that, along with four other fellow students who will finish their freshman year of college. Touchet has had a small number of students fail to graduate due to failing classes at the college level. Students must be very serious in considering participation in the program. It can profoundly affect their future.

The biggest advantage for Touchet students is to take classes that are not offered at Touchet High School. It is a very small school with limited resources with a wide variety of courses especially in the sciences, arts and vocational areas are not offered. Students can continue with their required classes at Touchet and sample a computer science, diesel mechanics, or cellular biology class at WWCC. Forward thinking students can look for prerequisites that will transfer to the four year college they are planning attending upon graduation.

Other disadvantages do come for those students who are not mature enough to manage their freedom and responsibility. For running start students one five credit class at WWCC equals one high school credit. Students fail to realize that in one three month quarter at college they will cover the same amount of material that regular high school students cover in an entire year! For every hour in class they will have 2-3 hours of homework. Some students are not able to keep up and they withdraw or in the worst-case scenario they fail. Students must be responsible to make an appointment with the professors to check on their own progress.

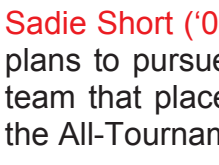
The second disadvantage is for parents. Running Start students are treated as regular college students in terms of student record privacy. Parents do not have a right to check on their student’s attendance, progress or grades. Students must sign a release so that their parents have access to this information. It is important for the student and parent to have a good working relationship when they undertake Running Start. These students have much more freedom than the regular high school student.

It is also hard for the students to keep up with what is going on at the high school. Keeping up with scholarship information, deadlines for yearbook, graduation cap and gown orders, and the many class activities like the Hunter’s Breakfast and Senior Carnival. Not to mention the social impact for individual students- feeling like an outsider. Sometimes the social separation from high school is very good for the student. That is why success at Running Start is such an individual thing.

Progress Report



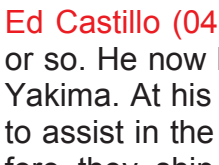
Miguel Castillo ('05) has been keeping himself very busy, not only attending Walla Walla Community College full time but also working two jobs. After a first year of a rigorous class schedule in the Autobody program, you can find Miguel working at Chevron and Pheasant Creek Golf Course, both in Touchet. He plans to return to WWCC in the fall.



Sadie Short ('05) is continuing her education at Walla Walla Community College and plans to pursue a degree in education. She is a member of the Warrior basketball team that placed second in the NWAAC tournament. Sadie was also selected for the All-Tournament team.



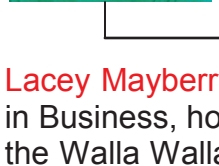
Chelsie Schaeffer (05) is a student ambassador at Eastern Wyoming College, giving tours and hosting school functions. Most recently she was voted the Student Council Vice President. She really enjoys Torrington and all the new people she has had the opportunity to meet. As for the fall rodeo season, she is currently ranked 5th in the barrel racing for the Central Rocky Mountain region. If she qualifies in the top three, she moves on to the CNFR (College National Finals Rodeo) in Casper, Wyoming, in June.



Ed Castillo (04) will be getting promoted to Private First Class in the next month or so. He now belongs to Bravo Company of the 1-161st Support Battalion out of Yakima. At his last unit assignment he served as squad leader. His job there was to assist in the training of the recruits in basic army knowledge and traditions before they ship to basic. This summer Ed will be going to Aberdeen Proving Grounds in Maryland for mechanics school. As far as school goes, Ed plans on transferring to the University of Texas in the Spring of 2007 planning to major either in secondary education or criminal justice.



Joe McDole (05) is attending Eastern Washington University. He hasn't quite decided on a major but is thinking about criminal justice or sports medicine. Joe has been playing Hockey for Eastern and will take a break this summer to work for Walla Walla County for the Touchet crew. He plans to return to college in the fall, but rent an apartment to live on his own—not in the dorms!



Lacey Mayberry (05) is attending Walla Walla Community College pursuing a degree in Business, hoping to open her own real estate company. This year she is working at the Walla Walla Community College Foundation office. The best highlight is that this year Lacey will be representing Walla Walla Fair and Frontier Days as Queen. She has a fun filled summer ahead.

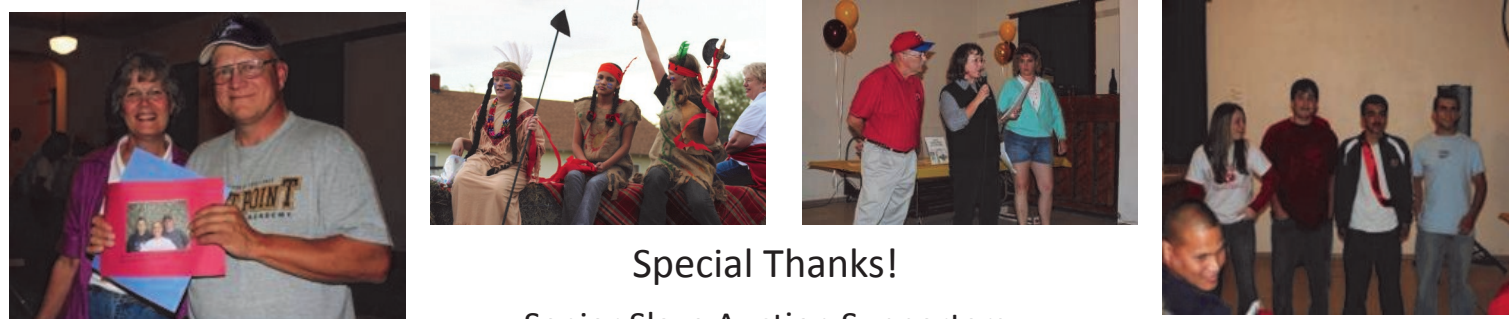


OKTOBERFEST



Another successful and fun fundraising event for the Touchet Educational Foundation in 2005. Over 220 people attended enjoying German sausage, hot potato salad, good company and great music. The senior class slave auction and raffle items helped raise over \$5,000. Thank you to everyone who volunteered, donated raffle items, the alumni and community members who make this annual event a success!

Mark your calendars for October 6th, for **Oktoberfiesta** 2006!



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INDIAN PRIDE



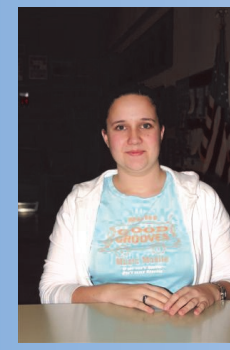
Kryssa Haggberg ('06) will be busy representing Walla Walla as Fair Court Princess. She will have about 90 appearances at various community service events, and also represents Walla Walla at 18 parades throughout the summer in Washington and Oregon. She hopes to attend the University of Wyoming this fall majoring in English.



Amanda Paff ('06) went to WWCC for Running Start classes for her junior and one quarter of her senior year of high school. She thought it was harder and better than she expected, and she thought she learned a lot. She decided to come back to Touchet for the last part of her senior year to spend time with friends and classmates before they graduated. Amanda plans to take graphic design classes at Spokane Falls Community college next fall, and all the WWCC Running Start classes will transfer there.



Bailey Brashear ('06) is the class president of Touchet High School Class of 2006. She has been attending Touchet schools since kindergarten. She hopes to go to the University of Puget Sound next fall, but so far is undecided on her major. Bailey has really liked the small class size and personal attention she gets from teachers at Touchet Schools. Communication between her classmates and remembering deadlines for all the senior "stuff" has been her biggest challenges as class president.



Jennifer Brown ('06) will be the first Touchet student to graduate from Touchet High School and receive her Associate of Arts Degree from Walla Walla Community College at the same time. She has taken classes at WWCC for all of her junior and senior years in high school. It has been a positive experience, and she will enter WSU next fall as a junior academically, majoring in architecture. The time and money saved on two years of college is significant. It has been a challenge for Jennifer to stay involved in high school activities and close with her friends when she does not see them every day. She has continued to be involved in Future Business Leaders of America and is working with her class on the senior carnival.



Emily Coffell ('06) will be attending her second year at Walla Walla Community College to finish prerequisites for dental hygiene. She will then transfer to graduate school to become a dental hygienist.